

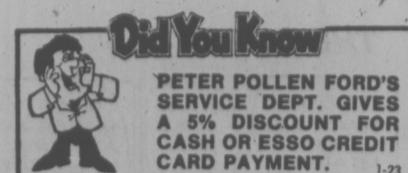


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15 CENTS DAILY, 30 CENTS SATURDAY

12 Programs Facing Social Spending Axe

By LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

FULL PAY RESTORED TO MLAs

Finance Minister Evan Wolfe's provincial budget Monday called for restraint by all British Columbians but he managed to find enough money to restore MLAs to their full salary of \$24,000 a year.

Members who get extra pay, such as cabinet ministers, leaders of all opposition parties, the Speaker and deputy Speaker, also have had their pay restored to the 1975 levels.

This means the premier again will be paid \$52,000, cabinet ministers \$48,000, the Speaker and leader of the Official Opposition \$43,000, leaders of the Liberal and Progressive Conservative parties and deputy Speaker \$32,500 each.

Last year, as an "example" to the rest of the province, the Social Credit government reduced the 55 MLAs' salaries, by 10 per cent for one year.

The new estimates of revenue and expenditure reveal the cut has been restored right on schedule. Salaries will go from \$21,600 to \$24,000 a year.

Rich Tax Holiday —Barrett

Opposition Leader Dave Barrett said the budget means "the wealthy and super-rich have been given a tax holiday of \$20 million a year."

The New Democratic Party leader said the elimination of the succession duty act by the Social Credit government constitutes an incredible giveaway.

"While they're asking for restraint from ordinary citizens, the wealthy are smiling all the way to the bank," said Barrett.

Conservative leader Scott Wallace termed the budget "dull, depressing and unimaginative."

Dr. Wallace said the most pessimistic note in the budget is that an increase of only 5.9 per cent in revenues is predicted, even though there is a predicted real growth of between five and six per cent.

He said this does not make sense in light of projected inflation of at least six per cent.

Dr. Wallace accused the Social Credit government of purposefully underestimating its revenues.

"It's very much the typical Social Credit approach used during the last 20 years," the Conservative leader said.

He criticized the budget for containing "very little of anything solid to create jobs."

He said he feels that the big contradiction in the budget is that in a time of restraint it has plans for a hodgepodge of social programs, specifically Universal Pharmacare.

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WEATHER
Tonight: Clear
Wednesday: Sunny

By LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

More than one-third of all human resources programs in B.C. will get less money next year, the new provincial budget revealed Monday.

The budget for the entire ministry is down almost \$26 million from \$595 million to \$569 million and it appears from estimates for the 1977-78 fiscal year that individual budgets for 12 of the ministry's 32 programs will be cut.

Programs allotted less money than last year include: —Contract treatment program, which provides special treatment for children with behavioral and emotional problems, drops from about \$226,000 to \$191,000;

—Adoption program decreased from \$88,000 to \$81,000;

—Specialized treatment resources, which gives basic care and special services suited to a child's emotional or behavioral needs, is down from \$15.3 million to \$14.5 million;

—Special services to children, which gives counselling services to a child and his family in an attempt to keep the child out of an institution, decreases from \$5.3 million to \$3.2 million;

—The child day care program, which provides day care services for children during a prolonged illness or crisis, or to enable parents on welfare to work or go back to school, is lowered from \$15.9 million to \$11.1 million;

—The parent encouragement program, which gives counselling services to foster parents, is decreased from \$7,700 to \$7,455;

—The Guaranteed Available Income for Need (GAIN) program, the province's guaranteed income program for senior citizens and handicapped people, is lowered from \$128.6 million to \$108.8 million;

—A don't care program, which provides care for senior citizens in boarding houses and rest homes who are partially able to take care of themselves, goes from \$48.1 million to \$41.4 million;

—Community grants program, which funds community projects operated by non-profit societies, such as crisis centres and family life counselling centres, is decreased from \$8.2 million to \$7.8 million;

—The income assistance program or welfare goes from \$218.8 million to \$193.9 million.

Assistance for the retarded is decreased from \$355,000 to \$160,000.

Human Resources Minister Bill Vander Zalm said after the budget was released Monday that although many of his programs have been cut his budget is not actually down from last year.

He said he will finish the current fiscal year March 31.

COFFEE GOING EVEN HIGHER

LONDON (UPI) — Buy your coffee now — while it's cheap.

That was the unofficial message from delegates at a 16-nation coffee conference that has brushed aside its routine business to see if something can be done about coffee's sky-high price.

"The real shortage is still to come," said Marcello Raffaelli of Brazil. "People will get hysterical in June, just as the Brazilian winter begins."

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By JIM ROBB

Times Ottawa Bureau

Ottawa — Educators need to spend more time making their courses relevant to the four decades over which most people work, Manpower Minister Bud Cullen said today.

The youth unemployment rate is 250 times higher than the adult unemployment rate, he told a conference on youth employment policies.

It is time for this country to reorient its education so



LANDMARK LIONS owned by service station operator Derek Stratford were all broken up today for big move from station at Garibaldi and Gorge to new outlet at Government and Bay. They were part of building that housed British Bank of North America, the first bank ever established in B.C. Former premier W.A.C. Bennett at one time tried to buy lions to grace first Bank of B.C. branch in Vancouver but Stratford insisted they stay in Victoria. Lions will be pieced together again. (John McKay photo)

8TH HOLDUP IN WEEK

A bearded gunman wearing sunglasses held up the ticket seller at the Capitol Theatre, 805 Yates, Monday night and made off with about \$900 cash.

It was the twelfth armed holdup or attempted armed holdup in Greater Victoria this year and the eighth in the past week alone.

Victoria police said the man approached the ticket wicket at 7:34 p.m. just after moviegoers had entered the theatre for the start of the feature film *A Star Is Born*.

Norman Bath said another man was seen standing near the theatre and may have been an accomplice.

The robber fled on foot.

Police described the gunman as about six feet tall, 170 pounds, and wearing a dark blue jacket and light cord pants.

The other man is described as about five feet, six inches tall, of medium build with black hair and a black mustache and goatee.

The robbery was the second on Monday. At noon a lone bandit armed with a dagger-type knife held up the Mac's Convenience Store, 3624 Sheppard and got away with about \$75 in bills.

The robbery fled on foot.

Police described the gunman as about six feet tall, 170 pounds, and wearing a dark blue jacket and light cord pants.

Enhancing the role of investment is going to be an important item on our agenda for 1977," he said.

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Bigger Profits Hinted

There is general agreement that the start of the solution to most of the economic challenges we face lies in more capital investment. To improve productivity in international competition, to overcome unemployment and to avoid future shortages of supplies," he said.

Macdonald, in a speech prepared for the Canadian Club of Toronto, said he is aware that the level of profits is below the point necessary to attract fresh investment initiatives.

Macdonald's parliamentary secretary said steps to encourage investment had been taken, and that recent lowering of the bank rate was a further inducement.

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young people will be assured jobs when they graduate, he said.

The conference, sponsored by the Canadian Council on Social Development, is being attended by government, labor, business and education representatives.

The manpower minister criticized universities and colleges for overlooking job needs, and producing more post-secondary graduates than there are jobs for such education levels.

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THE OUTCASTS



by Ben Wicks

Two Cubans Expelled Over CIDA: Paper

200 EVACUATED BY FEAR OF BLAST

More than 200 employees of the B.C. Motor Vehicle branch were evacuated from their building this morning when it was feared a bottle of gas might explode.

Jack Baker, spokesman for the branch, said he bottled gas is used in the operation of micro-film machines.

"The normal pressure is 15 pounds per square inch," he said. "When it registered 45, it was decided to evacuate the building."

He said some employees thought it was a "fire drill." The cause of the pressure surge is being investigated, he said.

Twelve Programs Facing Big Cuts

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1977 with a surplus of more than \$50 million so that new budget is higher by about 10 per cent than the money that was actually spent last year.

He said the GAIN program for senior citizens is down because there are less people on the program than anticipated and that the same is true of the welfare program.

The reduced welfare roles means there are less people on welfare needing the day care service Vander Zalm said.

Most programs in his department used less money than they were allotted last year, he said.

Sharon MacBain, spokesman for the Community Action Group in Victoria, said the cutbacks in the budget are further examples of the shortsightedness of the Social Credit government.

"That seems to be the whole problem, they are shortsighted on everything except balancing the budget," she said.

She said Vander Zalm has, for the past few months, been preaching the theme of the need for preventive measures to keep the family together.

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"Who's kidding who? How can you say one thing and go ahead and do another?"

Mrs. MacBain said it was very interesting that the amount lopped off the human resources budget is about equal to the money lost to the province as a result of the abolition of succession duties and gift taxes.

"Isn't it interesting that the rich get rich and the poor get poorer," she added.

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"Where is the virtue of turning down expenditures but reducing the services for

children and senior citizens and the handicapped?" Stupich asked.

Human resources programs which will receive more money next year include:

- Foster home program increases from \$15 million to \$15.6 million;

- A new child protection program which provides funds for advertising that a child is to be committed to the care of the province will get \$24,000;

- Group homes and therapeutic homes will get \$11 million, up from \$9.3 million;

- Rehabilitation resources providing special services to children having difficulty in schools goes from \$1.7 million to \$2 million;

- The new infant development program to help "developmentally delayed" infants from \$2.1 million people goes from \$2.6 million to \$2.6 million;

- A health care program providing for the health needs of all people on social assistance and GAIN recipients goes from \$9 million to \$11.1 million.

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the weather

The weather over B.C. will remain dominated by a ridge of high pressure lying over the province. Skies have cleared over many coastal localities. Little change is forecast in this weather pattern for the next couple of days.

ENVIRONMENT CANADA WEATHER OFFICE
10 A.M. FORECASTS

Valid Until
Midnight Wednesday

Greater Victoria: Wednesday, day, sunny. A few cloudy periods. A few morning fog patches. Highs around 6. Lows tonight around minus 2.

Lower Mainland, East Vancouver Island: Wednesday, sunny with a few cloudy periods. Overnight and morning fog patches in valleys. Highs near 6. Lows tonight near minus 2.

North and West Vancouver Island: Wednesday, sunny with a few cloudy periods. Overnight and morning fog patches in valleys. Highs near 6. Lows tonight near minus 2.

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Tories Turn Camera-Shy

By IAIN HUNTER
Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Camera-shy Conservatives are trying to keep television and radio from recording their performances in the Commons until they are assured their images won't be tarnished back home.

Tory House leader Walter Baker urged the government Monday not to go ahead with its proposal to allow the televising and broadcasting of debates — a subject which has been under discussion in Parliament since 1967 — until another committee has investigated the technical problems involved and how it might affect the performance of MPs.

Television, he warned other members, is a medium designed chiefly to entertain.

He questioned whether it would be suitable to record

the "detailed and complex business" of the House.

Baker said MPs should be worried by the way TV stations use film taken in the Commons.

He suggested they might overlook evidence of "hard work, careful preparation, intelligence, persistence, and perception" among MPs and look instead for "excitement and drama."

The Conservative House leader expressed the fear that opposition questioners would be ignored in evening news film clips which might show only government ministers replying "however reluctantly."

Baker said his party agrees in principle with the government motion but moved an amendment to set up a cost and technical study of the requirements necessary to implement it, and experimental

closed circuit broadcasts of debates in the House and its committees pending a final decision on whether television and radio should be allowed in on a permanent basis.

New Democratic Party leader Ed Broadbent heaped scorn on the Conservatives for refusing to come out either for or against the proposal for televising and broadcasting debates.

"We've had a lot of hypocrisy from the Conservative party before but they outdid themselves today," he declared, calling the Tory amendment absurd.

"If the government doesn't smarten up, they're going to be out on their collective asses, when the people of Canada see what kind of performance they're putting on in front of the cameras," he added.

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BAKER
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Trudeau's
U.S. Visit
Feb. 21

Times Ottawa Bureau
OTTAWA — Prime Minister Trudeau will become the first Canadian leader to address a joint session of Congress when he visits Washington Feb. 21.

22 officials confirmed here today.

Mrs. Trudeau will accompany the prime minister.

A brief announcement on the trip from the Prime Minister's office made no mention of the address to Congress, but emphasized the meeting with President Jimmy Carter.

The meeting presents an opportunity to review not only relations between Canada and the U.S., but also those economic and other aspects of the current international situation of concern to each country, it added.

OTTAWA (CP) — Two Conservative MPs Monday revisited in the Commons accusations that the government has a blacklist containing names of public servants and possibly others and that the list is used to unjustly dismiss public servants.

But the government will have to substantiate the need for it and show there is a way for the two MPs to see the list to determine whether "the blanket charge" against all those named is justified.

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OTTAWA EYEING SALT MINE

OTTAWA (FP) — It is possible that the federal department of regional economic expansion (DREE) might take part in the development of a salt mine on the Magdalen Islands, according to DREE Minister Marcel Lessard.

Lessard told the Commons Monday that the development had been discussed with the previous Quebec government and it would likely be discussed again with the Levesque administration.

He told Albert Bechard (L—Bonaire—Leviers—Îles-de-la-Madeleine) it was one of the elements of a possible Quebec-Ottawa accord on the development of the islands and the Gaspé area.

Bechard had asked if Ottawa was still willing to put DREE funds into the project; as it had been prior to the election of the PQ government Nov. 15.

The Bourassa government had been told the salt mine's development was a "really interesting development opportunity," Lessard said, adding that talks would continue with the new government.

capital scene

Victoria Chinatown Lions Club Wednesday, Jan. 26, 6:30 p.m., Peking House.

Victoria Business and Professional Women's Club dinner meeting Wednesday, Jan. 26, 6:15 p.m., Ken Charlotte Rooms, Empress Hotel.

The Kiwanis Club of Oak Bay and Saanich will sponsor a new club in Esquimalt. Any one wishing to help is invited to an organizational meeting Thursday, Jan. 27, 7:30 p.m., 527 Fraser St.

British Columbia Historical Association Thursday, Jan. 27, 8:15 p.m., in the Newcombe Auditorium, Avis Walton will speak about Chautauqua.

Duncan Eckists will present The Eternal Journey, a program of music, poetry, talks, art, dancing and slides Saturday, Jan. 29, in the United Church hall in Duncan.

The Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans of Canada will present Marshall's Music by John Marshall from the Gates of Time 9 to 11:30 p.m. Wednesday at 1001 Wharf Street. The program is open to all service club members and their guests.

Victoria and District Crysanthemum Society Wednesday, Jan. 26, 7:30 p.m., 1110 Hillside Ave.

Fairfield Activity Centre (New Horizons) will hold a birthday party for all members who have birthdays in January Wednesday, Jan. 26, 3 p.m. Bingo will be Thursday, Jan. 27, at 2 p.m.

Guild of Health Thursday, Jan. 27, 1:30 p.m., St. John's Church Chapel.

Bahai's of Victoria will sponsor an hour of meditation, music and prayer Thursday, Jan. 27, 8:15 p.m., Windsor Park Pavilion, 2451 Windsor Rd.

British Columbia Historical Society meeting, Thursday 8:15 p.m., Newcombe Auditorium, Avis Walton speaks on Chautauqua Days. Slides, photographs and some live typical Chautauqua "turns" will illustrate. All interested persons may attend.

Oak Bay Parks and Recreation Centre's pool, sauna and whirlpool are open Monday through Friday, 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Court Order Blocks Que. English Classes

MONTREAL (CP) — The heated controversy over Quebec's language of education was boiling today as one school board obtained a court order and another promised to do the same in an effort to evict immigrant children from unofficial English-language classes.

In a precedent-setting case in St. Jerome, 40 miles north of here, the Des Manoirs school commission won an interlocutory injunction ordering the parents of six children to withdraw them from English schools.

It marked the first time a school board had successfully resorted to the courts to enforce the province's Official Language Act, but before the day was over a second board was marshalling its legal forces.

Raphael Iadeluca, president of the Jerome Le Royer board in a heavily immigrant section of east-end Montreal, told reporters he had ordered lawyers to seek injunctions against the parents of about 100 children.

His decision met with a swift rebuke from Angelo Montini, spokesman for the Italian-Canadian Education Council, who warned that the Le Royer parents would defy any court order served against them.

"We are staying," Mr. Montini said. "We expected they would take an injunction. We knew what they would do, so let them do it."

There are an estimated 1,100 children irregularly attending English classes throughout the province. Most are of Italian descent and live in the Montreal area.

The Montreal Catholic school commission, where more than 800 immigrant children are participating in unofficial "parallel" classes, has made no move to evict the children.

Under the Official Language Act, passed by the Liberal government in July, 1974, children whose mother tongue is not English must pass competency tests if they want to attend English schools.

Many parents whose children failed the tests last summer refused to send their children to French schools and instead established unofficial classes in English schools with the tacit approval of principals and teachers.

The children's legal status is complicated by the fact that the vast majority are of kindergarten age and are not legally required to attend any school. Thus, if they were evicted from English classes, they could not be forced to attend French kindergartens.

In the St. Jerome case, lawyer Gilles Poulin, who represented the English-speaking parents, said the injunction would remain in force until the court makes a final ruling on whether the six children have the right to English education.

But a final ruling might take months and would be worthless to the parents because it would come after the current school year has finished, Mr. Poulin said.

He said the parents would decide this week whether to appeal the decision. If they do, they would have to apply to Quebec Court of Appeal for a stay on the injunction.

Meanwhile, a militant wing of the nationalist St. Jean Baptiste Society declared Monday that only "genuine" anglophones should be allowed English education.

Alain Géneveux, president of the Mouvement National des Québécois, said English enrolment could be cut in half if all children not of Anglo-Saxon descent were forced to attend French schools.

He admitted it might be difficult in some cases to trace Anglo-Saxon parentage.

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Foggy Finances

Finance Minister Evan Wolfe's \$3.83 billion budget is as foggy as the mists which enshrouded Southern Vancouver Island Monday morning. Echoing the budgets of W.A.C. Bennett, revenues for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1977 appear to be underestimated. Wolfe told the legislature Monday all signs point to a modest surplus at the end of the current year.

By Dec. 31 last year the government boasted a \$34.7 million surplus. Now Human Resources Minister Bill Vander Zalm is saying his ministry may be as much as \$100 million under budget. Naturally any excess will be pro-rated through the system to conform with the predicted "modest" surplus. Given this administration's commitment to balanced financing, the elastic inherent in government reorganization and crown corporations will be pulled every which way to produce a healthy surplus just before an election. Meanwhile, school taxes will rise, universities will suffer, and social services such as pharmacare will feature high initial deduction rates that will make them next to meaningless. This administration is polishing its own image of fiscal management at the expense of the people of British Columbia.

This cut method of financing is practiced by all governments to some degree, but never so flagrantly as in British Columbia. Opposition spokesmen will be quick to jump on an apparent welfare spending cut of \$25.7 million in the department of human resources at a time when government will lose an almost identical amount by abolishing succession duties and gift tax. But Wolfe said at his Monday press conference that the comparative budget estimate for the department of human resources shown in the budget is actually about \$50 million high. That would mean, in effect, that the department of human resources budget is really being increased 10 per cent this year. If the 1976-77 human resources figures are in

fact not what they appear to be, then just how many other ministerial figures are clouded by convenient estimates? And in a province where unemployment is close to 10 per cent how can the government raise the department of human resources department by such a comparatively small amount? Alice would need a platoon of accountants and tax lawyers to unravel this wonderland.

Next fiscal year is equally foggy and the ship of state will proceed with caution in these uncertain waters. B.C. becomes the sixth province to remove succession duties. While it is arguable whether this move encourages new investment, it will undoubtedly stem the flow of money leaving this province. Yet there is a great deal more the government might have done to encourage "a favorable investment climate" as Wolfe put it. Corporate tax for large business stands at 13 per cent in B.C., among the highest rates in the nation. But the budget contained no tax credit deferrals for the purchase of new equipment of plants, a crying need in the provincial forest industry. Nor did we see any incentives to encourage secondary industry in a jurisdiction that quakes at every pressure in international resource markets. Not to worry, though. The department of economic development had an 18.5 per cent increase in its budget to help it forge a coal deal in the Northeast. Another non-renewable resource to be sold out at ridiculously low royalty rates. And the mining industry as a whole will "have greater flexibility in writing off exploration expenses." First royalties were abolished and now a new tax incentive. If this codded industry pays any tax next year it should hang its head in shame.

If business did not receive a great deal as a whole, the people received less. With mounting unemployment another \$70 million is budgeted for highway construction, the yellow brick road of job creation. A paltry \$5 million increase is tagged for

Mincome or GAIN as it is now known, is \$20 million down over last year, which is difficult to understand unless benefits are to be cut or certain people removed from the roles. The Environment and Land Use Committee secretariat, one of the most important bodies under the NDP, has dropped \$148,000 or nearly 10 per cent. Even the reforestation budget has been cut by \$2 million. But spending in the premier's office is up \$50,000 to \$49,148, reflecting increased emphasis on intergovernmental relations. By contrast in the last year of the NDP administration the premier's office budget was \$286,290. And to top it all off, MLA's and cabinet minister salaries have had their 10 per cent salary cuts restored.

The government has fed its own narcissism with this example of financial juggling. It is a callous budget, smeared and blurred with this administration's transparent rationalizations.

RICHARD GWYN

Kafkaesque Bureaucracy

OTTAWA — This column, let me confess, is hard reading. The story it chronicles is almost impossibly complicated. It's worth putting your way through, though, if you're interested in a case example of the Kafkaesque world of the bureaucracy, inside view that is, of how bureaucracy manages information to suit its own convenience.

Last week, the National Indian Brotherhood and the United Steelworkers of America made headlines by releasing a report by University of Toronto scientists that contradicted earlier and ongoing studies into a potential arsenic health hazard at Yellowknife, N.W.T., by the medical services branch of the federal health department. The most damning criticisms were drawn from a leaked copy of an unpublished health study.

The scientific dispute is to be settled by an independent inquiry set up by Health Minister Marc Lalonde. If the inquiry decides the department was wrong to deny repeatedly that any problem existed, then Lalonde must resign. That's obvious. The real question is how many officials will be fired. On the evidence available, they have consistently withheld information that should have been made public and have manipulated those parts that were released.

Must Resign

Here's how information was withheld:

- Mid-1969. The health department's medical service branch completes a study on arsenic submitted by Yellowknife gold mine smelters. The report is not published. It finds that lake water, the town's principal source, is contaminated. A new system is built, using the Yellowknife River. The Indians though, are not connected to the water system. They still use the lake. No one tells them. Later, "contaminated" signs are stuck up on the lakeshore. They are in English only.

- January, 1975. The CBC's "As It Happens" does an exposé based on a "brown-envelope" copy of the 1969 report. Suddenly, the report is published. A new study is started. Signs go up in Dogrib and Slavey.

- October, 1975. The Medical Services Branch completes its first new study. Lalonde announces: "There is no evidence that the general public of Yellowknife is being exposed to excessive or dangerous amounts of arsenic." Lalonde isn't told that a separate unfinished study by a tri-department committee in Yellowknife territorial government Health Environment has found excessive amounts of arsenic in 11 of 12 samples of snow. Only Indians use snow for drinking water — they are not the "general public," they are not told.

- January, 1976. The bureau of chemical hazards of health, in a quite separate action, advises the environment department that arsenic is linked to cancer. Environment begins drafting



Yellowknife — has government covered up arsenic dangers?

Clean Air act regulations to govern arsenic emissions by gold mines. The Yellowknife tri-department committee makes no public statement.

• July, 1976. David Gemmill, an engineer, completes a report that summarizes all the tri-department studies. The report is not published. Most of its findings are negative; two exceptions are snow samples and that locally-grown vegetables show arsenic traces up to 2,000 times the safety level. No public announcement is made.

• January, 1977. The Indian Brotherhood and steelworkers make their statement. Lalonde announces the independent inquiry. The Gemmill report is published. The tri-department committee makes its first public statement. No hazard exists; vegetables are okay to eat but residents should "wash them thoroughly for good measure."

• His how information was manipulated:

In response to the Indian Brotherhood-Steelworker report, the head of the tri-department committee, Don Billing, called suggestions of a health hazard "ridiculous," and explained: "Medical authorities are divided" as to whether arsenic causes cancer or not.

A health department doctor, in 1975, made a similar statement.

Billing didn't say that the division among scientists is in a ratio of about 100 to one. The University of Nebraska doubts the two are linked. Those who think so include the U.S. Health Department, Dow Chemical Co., the authors of learned articles back to 1840, and the New York Academy of Sciences which has stated: "It is firmly established that occupational contact with arsenic can produce skin cancer."

No health department official corrected, or clarified, Billing's statement. None pointed out that a separate unit of the health department had, in January, 1976, advised the environment department that arsenic and cancer were linked.

No health official found it necessary to state that to cure this non-problem, environment was developing regulations, "in a few weeks" nor that, again to deal with a non-problem, environment is spending \$150,000 in Yellowknife to test new techniques to reduce the arsenic residue in mine tailings.

Conspiracy

The story here isn't one of "cover-up" or "conspiracy"; these are cliché explanations. Those involved are competent professionals trying to do their best. The story rather is one of bureaucratic self-protection, an example of how bureaucracy by managing information can function as a state within a state, much in the way that the department of Transport has clustered around its Mirabel airport white elephant, expanding vast amounts of energy, expertise and public money, not to maximize the airport but to minimize its own original blunder.

The facts about the Yellowknife arsenic hazard still have to be settled. Enough is known to inspire two troubling thoughts. First, each health scandal (Yellowknife, the uranium tradition in Elliot Lake and Port Hope, the asbestos in Thetford, Que., the fluospar in St. Lawrence, Nfld.) was discovered not by government but by outside individuals. Second, Yellowknife's level of arsenic in the air is by no means the highest in Canada; the list of the other communities hasn't been published.



letters

Wake Up!

Again the Oak Bay council and committees are harassing the Victoria Riding Academy about its taxes. At the meeting on Monday night, after the riding academy was mentioned for their small taxes, the Oak Bay Manor was revealed to owe \$175,000 in taxes for 1975 and 1976. Of course, this property is owned by a Vancouver firm, and being a much bigger concern than the Riding Academy, is allowed to owe taxes in arrears and nothing be done about it. But, on the other hand, the council is doing its best to get rid of the riding academy for its small amount of taxes. Then, on the same night, the council gave final reading to raise their own salaries.

The Victoria Riding Academy is the last bit of English tradition left in Oak Bay, so, if that is gotten rid of, then the people who love the English atmosphere, and tradition, and heritage, had better take down the "tweed curtain" and British flags that fly over their homes and gardens, and say goodbye to the last part of English tradition, the riding stable.

Many boys and girls started riding at this stable, and many of them own their own stables, some riding in horse shows across Canada and the United States, thanks to the training they received from Mr. and Mrs. Carley. My own children are better people today because of the time they spent at the riding academy, and at least we knew where our children were spending their weekends and holidays (not running the streets, vandalizing, and committing other acts against the law).

Much effort and hard work is put into the horse shows held at the Victoria Riding Academy, and how many of you people (behind the tweed curtain) ever attend or help to sponsor these shows? Answer — very few.

So again, I repeat, if the Victoria Riding Academy goes, then the last bit of English tradition disappears from Oak Bay. — An Admirer of Good Horsemanship.

Criminals

I should like to comment on the letter by your correspondent Rob J. McLoughlin of Hamilton, Ont., on the subject Tupamoros.

As I have never lived in Uruguay I cannot comment on the political situation in the country. However, I lived 28 years and not just one decade in four Latin American nations and as I speak Spanish and mixed freely with the citizens of these countries in which I lived I feel that I have a fair knowledge of the "Freedom" which exists generally in Latin America.

Most Latin American countries are under military or civilian dictatorships and even in those countries which exercise a measure of democracy their rulers know full well that the military forces of those countries will only permit a measured amount of democracy and if this point is exceeded there is a military takeover.

This is the general pattern not only in Latin America but in many other parts of the so-called "free" world.

Your correspondent classifies the Tupamoros as criminals who "stole bombs, machineguns, kidnapping of locals and foreigners, arson and murder." I should like to ask him how else he feels that the majority of poor and underprivileged can hope to overthrow a ruthless military dictatorship as we see in so many of the "free" Latin American and other countries of the world?

It should also be noted that when Hungary was taken over by the communists and their allies, the Soviets, there was little opposition in Canada or in fact in most parts of the western world to receive refugees by the thousand. I should like to know the difference between refugees from right wing and left wing countries. They are both fleeing from dictatorships and I can assure your correspondent that the right wing dictatorships are just as ruthless and cruel as those of Communist countries. However, as the U.S. and the west in general accept and in fact support right wing dictatorships — Chile has recently been granted a loan of \$60 million by the World Bank and this same loan was refused to the democratically-elected government of the late Allende. One can

only surmise that any government which provides a suitable climate for big business is acceptable to the west in spite of the horror which is perpetrated by these right-wing dictators.

Millions and millions in Latin American and other right wing dictatorships live in utter poverty and under dire oppression in the midst of great wealth in the hands of a few. If this is what your correspondent champions I feel very sorry for him. Any signs of revolt by the poor are put down with great cruelty and of course communism is blamed. The tide will surely turn in spite of the power of the U.S. — M. P. B. Wixson, 301-1701 Cedar Hill X Road.

Human Rights

People who have human rights complaints are experiencing considerable difficulty with the present Social Credit government. There are only seven human rights officers in B.C., as compared to 36 in Ontario. By ensuring that these officers are overworked and underfunded, the Social Credit government is helping to maintain inefficiency in the handling of complaints. Only 50 per cent of the cases referred to these officers are investigated by them, the other 50 per cent are handled by industrial relations officers, who receive no training in this area.

Furthermore, by entrusting the minister of labor with the responsibility of setting up a board of inquiry if he deems it necessary, is a gross injustice to people of this province whose complaints, found to be legitimate by human rights officers, could not be resolved by mediation. The case of Linda Ward vs. Pilgrim House, for example, is representative of those cases requesting boards of inquiry. The complainant was refused a job in February, 1975. Her complaint of sex discrimination was found to be justified by human rights officer Wo Ping Lee, and a board of inquiry was requested. One and a half years later, the minister of labor has not set up a board.

Changes are needed in the code of people's rights are to be protected and defended. The first change in the code should be to change from "the minister of labor" ... may refer the allegation to a board of inquiry" 16 (1) to "the minister of labor shall refer the allegation to a board of inquiry." Also, the minister of labor should not be able to choose those members who are to sit on the board. The appointment of an impartial, non-partisan person to set up the board of inquiry and assigning members to sit on the board should once again be implemented.

The human rights code of B.C. is potentially effective, but this can only be realized through a government that cares about people and is committed to enforcing the code. — Cynthia G. Witwicki, University of Victoria Women's Action Group.

Something Rotten

"There is something rotten in the state of Denmark" when a young working girl in her first job, whose locked car was stolen from its parking lot, is left to get to work the best way she can. My youngest daughter reported the theft on Dec. 3, which was confirmed by police who chased the culprit driving the stolen car at speeds up to 80 m.p.h. ending, as usual, in a crash.

ICBC officials considered for some days whether it was a complete write-off. She still owed \$600 on the car loan and they mentioned \$300 compensation. They offered \$10 a day car hire to get to work from an outlying district but the cheapest hire anywhere is \$12.95 per day and all the rental people when phoned said "we have nothing available at that price." She found \$18 a day had to be paid which, by the time the body work on her car was finished, amounted to over \$400 even though she paid \$30 to the hire company for insurance and she suffered no damage to the hired car.

On collecting her car from the body shop she was told mechanical damage was found on the test from high-speed braking in the chase, now needing new lining in the brakings and clutch and the steering

faulty. She is still without transportation after seven weeks and all ICBC has to say is "take it to the testing station."

If you think your automobile is "fully covered" by ICBC it isn't, because \$10 a day hire won't meet it and you pay \$100 deductible for the pleasure of going without. — Clarence Goode, 1840 St. Ann Street.

Hospital Site

I would like to add my objections to the proposed Helmcken hospital site. Is the extra cost for the land and installation services necessary — roads, water, lights, and power for equipment and heating? All these are convenient at the property across the street from the present Victoria General Hospital in the St. Ann's Academy grounds, which is already acquired for that purpose. It is also easily reached by patients and relatives who wish to visit there. It is close to the centre of population. The Helmcken site is four miles from the city centre with little or no cheap transportation. There is only one main road to it, the Trans-Canada Highway, which is congested at rush hours.

I understand that there is an objection to the academy grounds because a solid foundation cannot be had there. That, surely, in this day and age, is nonsense or a political gimmick. Any competent engineer could overcome that easily. The Empress Hotel was built on what was filled tide flat at least 70 years ago when they had no modern machinery to work with, and it is still standing.

A very large proportion of old age pensioners live in the city centre area, where they can walk to a shopping centre for necessities and recreation, and where they can visit their doctor when they need to, or visit a friend or relative in hospital. The Helmcken site is several miles from the city centre, and also the population there is comparatively thin. That site might be held for a hospital later when population warrants it. But, for now, build on the Academy site and save several million dollars. — D. M. Dunwoodie, Victoria.

Camosun Cooks

In reference to Elizabeth Forbes' column defending the state ball, her arguments in its defence on the grounds of stimulating the free enterprise system (i.e. providing jobs, supporting bakers, food vendors, etc.) are based on false assumptions. Perhaps she would like to know that approximately 17 students from the cooks' training course at Camosun College prepared the food, transported it, set it up, cleaned it up, and washed their own equipment. Of course, the government staff did the actual waiting on the guests.

Certainly the government paid for the food — at cost. The day and night of the ball these 17 students and three instructors worked an average of 20 hours each. Since Tuesday, Jan. 10, they had been preparing the food as part of their course requirements. The students involved got one day off school as recompense.

Seven hours off school is small compensation for 20 hours of labor and free food preparation. Hardly a stimulation to the economy.

This arrangement is not new. Ever since Camosun College has had a cooks' training course, the students have supplied the labor for the state ball. Prior to this, Malaspina College had the privilege. My point is not to argue against the present arrangement; it is simply to show that one should leave the politicians' petty rationalizations to the politicians. We expect it from them. — J. Gottfred, Victoria.

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Are Women Ready to Fight?

Holland's much maligned, long-haired conscript army brought hair-nets to the front line of NATO's armed forces some years ago. And although Supreme Commander Gen. Alexander Haig has declared these troops to be as combat-ready as any in the alliance, he described them as dedicated soldiers of whom he wished he had more — the world at large insists on seeing them as a flakey aberration.

A question now being debated by a government inquiry shaping the future of the Dutch military, however, is likely to raise even more eyebrows. Should women be allowed into the ranks of the fighting troops?

Until now the Dutch have taken it for granted that the soldier should be male. The present army consists of 40,000 exclusively male conscripts and 20,000 volunteers of whom less than one per cent are women, predominantly in administrative jobs.

Not Enough Males

But the inquiry is inspiring a very different train of thought. Headed by a former secretary of state for defence, Joep Mommersteeg, it is compiling a report on the pros and cons of replacing the mainly conscript army with an all-volunteer one. A problem it has already encountered is the likelihood that Holland will never find enough male volunteers to fulfill its NATO obligations.



Long-haired Dutch soldier with Gen. Haig

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In the light of this, the majority of the inquiry's 27-strong committee is in favour of increasing the petticoat role. But the question of how much, has left them in disarray.

Those in favour of women being allowed into any army position (and therefore into the front line) argue that it is more than a matter of expediency. While emphasising this could be the salvation of the volunteer army, they contend that restrictions on the female role are nothing less than sexual discrimination.

Choice of Jobs

But are women up to combat physically? Ben Verwaayen, 24, a prospective member of parliament for the Liberal Party, head of publicity for Standard Electric-ITT in Holland, and on the inquiry by virtue of his conscript experience that includes setting up the less radical of the army's two soldiers' unions.

"Why," he responds, "should women make lesser sharpshooters than men? In a volunteer army one has a choice of jobs, and in the case of a woman she would choose a suitable one. I mean a man who has a fear of heights doesn't become a paratrooper, does he?"

Verwaayen is adamant that specific female tasks should be abolished if a volunteer army is

introduced. A woman soldier should have the right to drive a tank, man a rocket launcher, or lead a commando raid, if qualified. "Just look what the female troops did in the Soviet army during the Second World War," he says.

'Preparation' Only

But a fair proportion of the Commissie Mommersteeg beg to differ. To them woman was created to give birth to life — not destroy it. A third body of opinion takes a middle-of-the-road line that women should be integrated but only in such capacities as cooks, quartermasters and administrators. As Verwaayen sees it: "They'll allow them to prepare the killing but not take part in it."

The inquiry, meanwhile, has sought the advice of Holland's National Women's Council and launched an investigation in five countries where the position of the female soldier in a volunteer army is also under review.

What line does Mr. Mommersteeg himself take? The MP for the Catholic People's Party and former member of the NATO Assembly and the European Parliament, seems to be a middle-of-the-roader.

"Of course maintaining the level of NATO tasks with a volunteer army is more difficult," he concedes. "Volunteer manpower is scarce and you have to turn to the labour market." Opinion within the committee tends to be in favour of allowing more women into the armed forces, he says. Mommersteeg also has the impression that women's careers are keen on a larger female function than at present. "Women now fill 0.7 per cent of army posts and I believe in the long run this could be increased to around 10 per cent," he says.

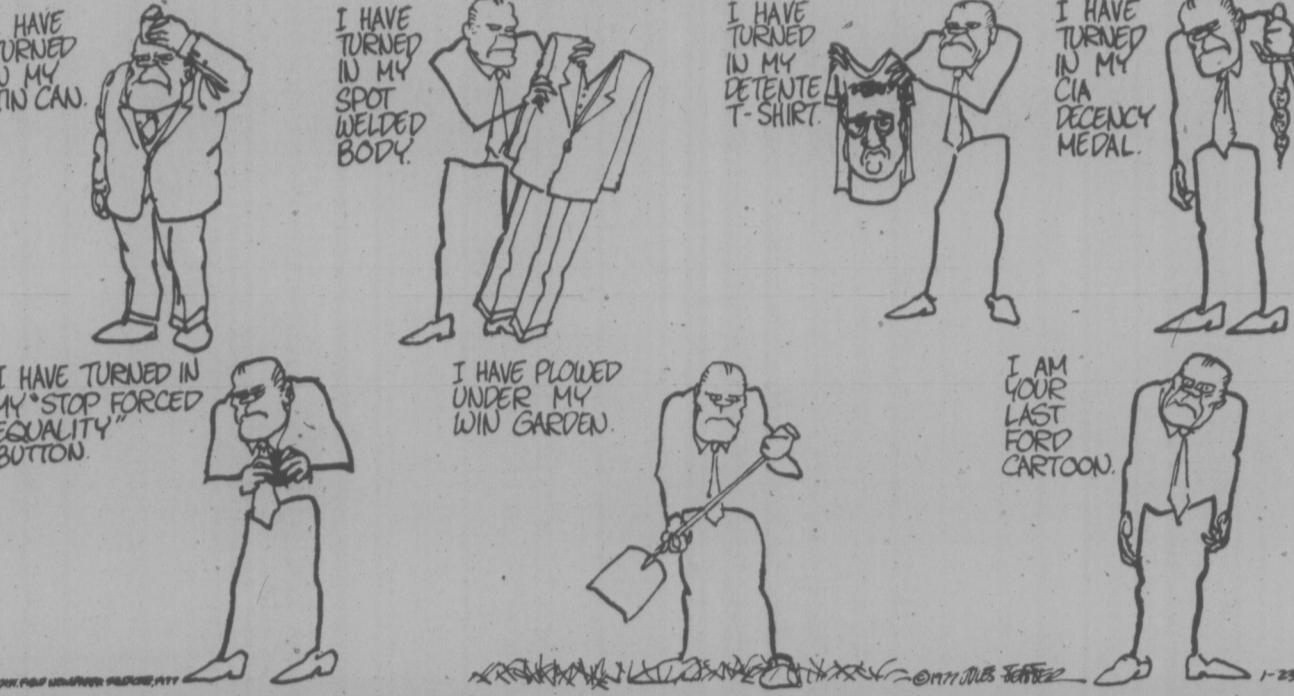
'A Dirty Image'

Could this include combat duty? "I don't foresee that," he replies. "But that's a personal opinion. I suppose the majority on the committee would be against combat functions. However, I really can't say much about conclusions yet because we're still in the middle of the exercise."

Wonders Verwaayen, "Why should it be acceptable for a woman to protect herself with ju-jitsu on the streets and not to protect her civilisation with a gun? I presume it has something to do with soldiering having a dirty image these days. But the job has to be done and we can use anyone who counts."

And the Harry Smiths of the land can only watch with fear and apprehension as inflation continually eats away their spending power.

It's a situation that's plainly unfair, and one that is justifiably coming under increasing criticism.



FEIFFER

Pension Perversity

TORONTO STAR An Editorial

Gerald Williams starts his retirement today after stepping down from his job as federal deputy minister of public works. And tomorrow his pension, like that of all other retired federal civil servants, will go up by 8.6 per cent, the average rate of inflation in the 12 months preceding October. What's more, it will go up every year of his life in lock-step with every increase in the consumer price index.

A more typical Canadian — call him Harry Smith — has just retired from his job as a shipper for a small manufacturing firm. His \$7,500 pension, which is not tied to inflation, will still be \$7,500 a decade from now. In fact, assuming even a low average inflation rate of 5 per cent a year, Smith's pension will only be worth \$4,500 in equivalent 1976 purchasing power — a drop of 40 per cent.

What this means is that Williams and other superannuated civil servants on Ottawa's deluxe pension plan can view inflation with equanimity, knowing that no matter how rapidly prices rise, their pensions will keep pace.

Cooper describes a hypothetical civil servant who retires this year at age 65 after 30 years of government service, and whose salary is \$14,000. If the government had placed all of his pension contributions in a bank account, he would have a fund of \$28,462 to start drawing on.

At 5 1/2 per cent inflation-indexing every year, the fund would be exhausted by 1980. But the man would be expected to live until 1990. And his wife, who is entitled to receive half the man's pension payments after his death, is expected on average to live nine years longer.

Obviously someone has to make up those promised pension payments if the man and the thousands of civil servants like him — lives an average life-span. And that someone is the ordinary Canadian worker in private business and industry, whose employer cannot provide him with similar retirement protection because he doesn't have access to the bottomless well of tax revenue.

What's more, the federal plan indexed to inflation, no matter how high it goes — will be subsidized out of taxes from those people in private industry, most of whose pensions are not indexed.

Cooper describes a hypothetical civil servant who retires this year at age 65 after 30 years of government service, and whose salary is \$14,000. If the government had placed all of his pension contributions in a bank account, he would have a fund of \$28,462 to start drawing on.

Open the Door

TORONTO STAR

By JOHN COOPER

Editorial

Canada has agreed to accept

of the military regime that overthrew the government of Salvador Allende in 1973. The Argentine generals, after they took over, gave the refugees until the end of November to get out or risk being sent back to Chile.

So far, few of the Chileans in Argentina have made it to Canada this year. The generals' deadline has passed and the Argentine government may move to expel them at any time. In the meantime, rightist murder squads swoop down on refugee hostels and kidnap as many as 30 people at a time. Some of the victims are found dead on back roads. Others have probably been handed over to the Chilean junta.

The United Nations, Amnesty International and the International Church Committee on Refugees have urged the Canadian government to speed up its procedures and admit Chileans on an emergency basis.

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When Bureaucrats Should Pussy-Foot

THE GLOBE AND MAIL

You can lead a horse to the water — but just try doing the same with a cat. Try leading a cat anywhere, in fact, and you will find that it is the most infuriatingly uncooperative creature on earth — a spitting, clawing, venomous, arched bundle of resistance to man's wishes. At other times, its attitude reverts to one of haggard indifference, tempered as the need arises, by hunger or the craving for creature comfort.

The best of them are reasonably tolerant about allowing people to go in and out of the house and enjoy occasional use of armchairs, provided they earn their keep

by keeping the dish topped up with choice morsels of cat food. Once a cat is out of doors, however, a human's best policy is to mind his own business. Cats like to walk alone, and we have to admit that, alongside their soft-footed sinuous perambulations, most of us look as graceful as snowplows.

None of the above is clearly understood by the people who write bylaws for Mississauga City Council. Possibly in an attempt to dispense even-handed justice to dogs and cats alike, they have tentatively drawn up a decree that would require cats as well as dogs to be kept on leashes while out of doors. The animal control bylaw would make it illegal for cats and dogs to run at large within city limits, with a \$1,000 penalty for offenders.

Guided by their keen sense of the absurd, the Mississauga officials stopped short of prescribing the number of tropical fish that citizens may keep. Nothing silly like that.

(Besides, how could the inspectors be expected to count all those darting little fish and demand that the surplus be siphoned off — perhaps into the cat's dish?)

Still, they did plunge in where cat-owners fear to tread, visualizing with bureaucratic solemnity the day when householders, all taking their cats for a walk, would throng the sidewalks. The whiskered arrogance that will greet this notion has already been anticipated by those who "own" (for want of a better word) cats, and councillors have had heavy mail dealing with the more obvious facets of cat psychology.

A special meeting of the committee of the whole has been called for March 14 to consider the implications of the bylaw as it now stands. We think it should be scratched.

Naked in Newsrooms

By MAC REYNOLDS The Sun

"What are we out of?" asks Big Julie from Justice.

"The usual, boss. Milk, eggs and next week's Doonesburies."

"Then don't just stand there, you dumb gumshoes! Get down to the corner paper and pick some up!"

Ah, yes, like so many public services these days, the raiding of newsrooms has gone downhill.

Last year's Musical Ride has become this year's Starsky and Hutch. No class. Appeal to the lowest denominator. Nobody cares anymore.

The Toronto Sun was tossed by Mounties looking for an Official Secret of vital personal interest to the prime minister.

A scant nine months later The Sun and Province are turned over by Wapnarski and Savage of the bureau of competition policy, department of consumer and corporate affairs looking for fishermen's scuttlebutt.

Toronto gets Preston and Renfrew of the Mounted.

Vancouver gets the not-ready-for-prime-time players.

But enough bruised pride. Clearly there's a trend here. And here's how it's bound to go.

LUMBY, B.C. — Armed with a search warrant signed by a janitor, the Canadian

Atomic Energy Canada investigators Tom and Jerry were searching the Gander Beacon for \$2.5 million in missing CANDU bribe money. Energy Minister Alastair Gillespie said: "Where do you expect us to look — Liechtenstein?"

SMOKEY LAKE, Alta. — "And why shouldn't we search the Smokey Lake Gazette for a Cuban spy ring?" asked Defence Minister Barney Danson. When newsmen noted that the team of Boots and her Buddies emerged empty-handed, Mr. Danson said never mind, the Athabasca Echo was next on the list.

FLIN FLON, Man. — Flashing tin loaned by a CRBC bodyguard, the CBC investigative team of Damon and Pythias today raised the Flin Flon Reminder in their continuing search for Lloyd Robertson. "We're getting warm," said Damon in a post-search interview. "We found Harvey Kirk."

WOODSTOCK, N.B. — Investigators Bob and Ray of the Lifestyle Awards Program said today their newspaper search for parties responsible for reporters' sit-down at the federal-provincial conference will continue. "All we got out of the Woodstock Bugle were a harmonica and a pair of speed skates but just wait 'till we hit the Shilo Stag," Ray said.

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\$2.5M Spent... Just for 100 Viewers

VANCOUVER (CP) — In the nearly four months that it's been on the air, CBC's controversial \$2.5 million French-language television station here has attracted little attention. In fact, its ratings might be the worst in Canadian television history.

About 40,000 British Columbians signed a petition to the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission condemning the station's opening. Meanwhile, surveys show 3,500 have turned to CBUFT in prime viewing time.

In the slack mid-day period, the station had fewer than 100 viewers, according to statistics released by the bureau of broadcast measurement.

The BBM survey, carried out during three week-long periods in the fall, is based on a statistical cross-section of the Greater Vancouver area's 888,650 households.

The ratings showed CBUFT with a peak audience of 3,600 between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m., a time when 116,400 were tuned to the CBC's English-language outlet.

CBUFT spokesman Jacques

Landry says the BBM survey isn't suited to measure the audience of a station aiming its programming at a language minority.

"If the BBMs say we have 3,600 viewers, then I'm delighted," he says, "because it means we have a hell of a lot more than that."

The only way we could ever get an accurate reading is to go into virtually every home where French is spoken and see what they're watching and that would cost a fortune."

Landry estimates his sta-

tion has a potential audience of 154,000 in the greater Vancouver area, including 100,600 students of French.

Of the other 45,000, he says "about 25,000 speak French as their mother tongue and the rest are bilingual or trilingual."

Part of CBUFT's poor show-

ing can be traced to technical problems, says Landry, which have overshadowed what critics have called some of the best programming in North America.

Heading the station's program list is the three-hour

weekly show *Beaux Dimanches*, a drama and variety program. CBC's Montreal French-language headquarters also provides comprehensive public affairs programming and highly-regarded late movies — some of which feature plenty of sex and nudity.

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When the move comes, station officials expect another tidal wave of protest from

English-language viewers who were fighting it on economic grounds.

"The ratings show we were right all along — there simply isn't an audience for French-language TV in Vancouver."

CBUFT cost \$2.5 million to put on the air and has an annual operating budget of \$800,000 to pay for its staff of 37 and its nightly 10-minute newscast.

Without a local advertising staff, the station generates no revenue. Commercials aired on the station are purchased by national sponsors from the network in Montreal.

N.Y. Session Hush-Hush

Callaghan Role Seen In Vote

MONTRÉAL (CP) — Robert Bourassa called the Nov. 15 Quebec election after a meeting with British Prime Minister James Callaghan convinced him the province was facing a grave constitutional crisis, according to the Montreal Star.

The newspaper says Callaghan told Bourassa during the Sept. 17 meeting, near Quebec City, that the British Government would not oppose unilateral action by the federal government to patriate the Canadian constitution.

Bourassa feared unilateral action by Ottawa would plunge the province into a serious constitutional crisis that could lead to widespread demonstrations and threaten his leadership of the Liberal party, says the story, by Hubert Gendron.

"Callaghan told Bourassa that even if the four original provinces — Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia backed by the six other provinces, opposed patriation, the British Parliament would have to accept a patriation resolution passed by both chambers of the federal Parliament," and unnamed source is quoted as saying.

Quebec Line Softens

OTTAWA (CP) — A Quebec aviation group which has been bitterly critical of federal policy on bilingual air communications may be participating by the end of March in federal technical tests on air safety and the language issue. Liberal MP Serge Joyal, a lawyer for the Association des Gens de l'Air, said Monday the Gens de l'Air is ready to take part in the Hull, Que., simulation tests if a federal air inquiry approves proposals for the use of French in handling light aircraft at the Montreal airports of St. Hubert and Mirabel.

With inquiry hearings on the St. Hubert and Mirabel problem expected to continue until at least mid-February in Montreal, the inquiry commissioners will probably not reach a decision until the end of March, said Joyal, MP for the Montreal riding of Maisonneuve-Rosemont.

The Gens de l'Air has been seeking speedier implementation of bilingual air traffic control in Quebec and last week decided to appeal a Federal Court of Canada decision upholding a transport department order limiting the use of French in Quebec air communications.

The federal air inquiry, which resumes hearings in Montreal today, is looking at the use of two languages in visual flight operations at the Montreal airports of St. Hubert, Dorval and Mirabel. Visual flying applies generally to light aircraft.

The transport department has recommended French be permitted for visual flying at St. Hubert and federal officials say a similar recommendation will be made shortly for Mirabel.

The Gens de l'Air has not dropped its opposition to the inquiry itself and will not appear at inquiry hearings, Joyal said. The inquiry hearings began in Montreal last week.

The Quebec group, which represents many French-speaking pilots and air traffic controllers, has held that the inquiry was unnecessary.

Blind Pension Urged

OTTAWA (CP) — The government should start paying the 30,000 blind people in Canada a \$200-a-month allowance because they do not have the same income prospects as people with sight, Dean Whiteway (PC-Selkirk) said Monday.

Whiteway told the Commons that a report prepared last year for the health department and the Canadian National Institute for the Blind defined blindness as a handicap and said blind people needed a basic income to compensate for their lack of income.

Quebec and its agencies, especially Hydro-Quebec, were expected to need at least \$3 billion in long-term loans during the coming fiscal year and like most Canadian provinces recently, Quebec has turned increasingly to U.S. bond markets for capital.

Quebec officials have been reluctant to disclose details of whom Levesque is meeting as well as the places and times for such encounters.

A crush of reporters surrounded the PQ leader when he arrived in the New York Hilton late Monday afternoon after a flight from Quebec in a government jet. He made few comments, however.

The quiet affair took place with about a dozen businessmen at the Links Club, an exclusive gentlemen's club whose members are listed in the New York social register and on the boards of the most important U.S. banks and corporations.

Levesque said after Monday's dinner that he was "struck that Americans, compared to their equivalents in Canada, have less hangups," an apparent reference to business attitudes toward the new Parti Quebecois government.

Club members asked informal questions about "the feasibility of Quebec independence, the relative position of our balance of accounts and our attitudes to outside especially American investment."

Ferguson said companies and employees making wo-

Macdonald Hits Bigots In English Canada

By VICTOR MACKIE

Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Finance Minister Don Macdonald Monday lashed out at "bigots" within the English-speaking provinces who voice intolerance and refuse to accept the French fact in Canada.

Maintaining the partnership between French-speaking and English-speaking Canadians is one of the highest priorities of the federal government, the minister told the Canadian Club of Toronto.

"As evidence of our intolerance the separatists quote the extremists among us, the openline radio participants, the writers of letters to editors and even individual members of the media," he said.

"It is important that English-speaking Canadians not leave the field free to the minority of bigots among us," he said.

The minister said it is important that Canadians express their convictions, on public occasions whenever the opportunity arises and in private encounters as well, that continued close cooperation between French-speaking and English-speaking Canadians within confederation is "our profound wish."

The maintenance of the two principal languages is a fundamental of confederation, he said.

"All that we would have done by dividing would be to have given up the political instrument — confederation — by which they can be reconciled," said the minister.

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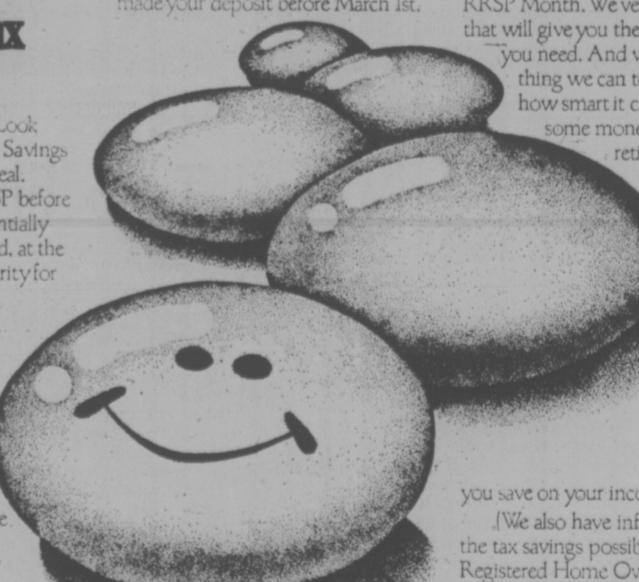
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Wild-Card NHL Playoff Suggested

VANCOUVER (CP) — Operators of major junior hockey teams in Canada have asked the National Hockey League to reconsider the position the league established last June regarding graduated junior players.

Clarence Campbell, NHL president, said Monday that the juniors, with 35 teams operating at the major junior level in Canada, have modified their position since they were turned down at the NHL's annual meetings last summer.

The juniors at that time asked for \$30,000 for a first

round draft choice who signed an NHL contract and \$25,000 for a second-round pick.

The NHL countered with a take-it-or-leave-it offer of \$1,000 for a drafted player, \$4,000 for a signed drafted player and \$5,000 for every 40 games played in the NHL over a two-year period.

The juniors turned down the NHL offer and the juniors have since been without an agreement with NHL owners.

"The offer the NHL made to the juniors last June was not a negotiable deal," Campbell said in an interview.

"The offer they made was all the owners would approve."

The first day of the NHL meetings, which coincided with the annual NHL all-star game here tonight, produced little in the way of news. There was talk about realignment, but few teams were willing to depart from the present balanced schedule because of the possible loss of feature attractions like Montreal and Philadelphia.

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team can miss the NHL playoffs under the existing setup despite having a better record than a team in another division.

New York Rangers are an example. They are in fourth place in their division and only the top three teams—currently Philadelphia Flyers, New York Islanders and Atlanta Flames—make the playoffs. The Rangers, however, have a better record than all three teams in another division—St. Louis Blues, Chicago Black Hawks and Minnesota North Stars.

The NFL uses a system in which the top team in the division makes the playoffs and the fourth team is the one with the best overall record in the three divisions outside of the first-place teams.

Economic conditions are the reason some teams are pressing for a change because realignment might bring about better natural rivalries in certain geographic parts of the league.

Fred Shero, coach of Philadelphia Flyers, favors some sort of a realignment because it might "bring back the

crowds and cut down on the travel."

Scotty Bowman, coach of the defending Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens, wants things to remain the same. He points to the success of three expansion teams—Philadelphia, the Islanders and Buffalo Sabres—as an example of what good management can do in the NHL.

Shero said NHL coaches would do a better job of preparing for teams if they played those teams more often. He said it's hard to get ready for some teams today

because there are so few games under the balanced schedule against a wide variety of opponents.

"Right now coaches spend most of their time working with their own players and not working on the weaknesses of other teams," said Shero. "About the only time we study other teams is near playoff time."

Bowman will coach the Prince of Wales Conference team tonight in the 30th annual all-star game while Shero will handle the Clarence Campbell Conference team.

**bill
walker**

Canada's Hoop Capital? —It Was on Weekend

The weekend in review:

Jack McIlhargey, now of the Vancouver Canucks, may not be the best defenceman in the National Hockey League or even the 50th best, but apparently he is a part of what Vancouver Canucks might need. At least he stirred them up, and the fans, too, with a display of the only thing he does well on Sunday as the Canucks routed the New York Rangers 6-2. McIlhargey is a disturber, little else, and maybe that's why the Canucks got him. And if he can do the job, who's to say it's a bad deal?

Still, it would seem safe to assume that big Bob Dailey, who was a distinct disappointment at Vancouver, will be a better hockey player in Philadelphia. If he is, he will be only following the trend. Jocelyn Guevremont and Jerry Korab are an integral part of the Buffalo defence corps now and Pat Quinn is not the worst defenceman in Atlanta. They, among others, were once Canucks. As a scoring threat, McIlhargey doesn't rate at all—he had only one assist as late as the last official NHL statistics. So it's quite obvious why he was obtained. Larry Goodenough, on the other hand is an average run-of-the-mill defenceman, has a good shot on the power play, and should be able to fill Dailey's shoes.

So the Canucks, with nothing lost and perhaps something gained, finally are on their way. Maybe.

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Meanwhile, it's beginning to look like old times in our town. Victoria could well be on its way to becoming the basketball capital of Canada again, just as it was in the 30s and 40s. Because it definitely was last weekend with a three-part production second to none.

The Oak Bay Bays, although they may not be No. 1 in the Dominion following that defeat by Ontario in the Oak Leaf Classic, aren't very far away either. That's for certain and bad news for other high school teams in this province.

All reports indicate there was a great outpouring of talent in the prep ranks and the tournament itself may be a forerunner for the future. It seems like an excellent idea to have a national event of this nature put on a yearly schedule. The very fact it was so well attended speaks for the popularity of the sport.

And at the same time as the prep stars were drawing raves, coach Mike Gallo's University of Victoria Vikes were cruising along undefeated in the Canada West University Athletic Association women's league to their 32nd straight league victory with Lethbridge as the latest victim.

If that isn't a record, it will do regardless if they find a better one. It's a tremendous mark of achievement for the girls, and Gallo, and they should be commended. And the Vikings have taken the hind from the girls, winning their sixth in a row at home and moving into contention for the CWUAA men's crown. It would be great if UVic could pop the double.

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And last, but far from least, Victoria's premier men's team, the Scorpions, found themselves playing second fiddle for a change to the stars of tomorrow. Because the Scorpions had a big weekend as well, playing against the fourth best amateur independent team in the U.S. and getting a split for their efforts.

Seattle Dynasties are probably the best basketball team to play here in some years and it's unfortunate that there was so much else going on that the Scorpions-Dynasties clash didn't get the attention it otherwise deserved. But the Scorpions distinguished themselves, and their one-point win should prove a boon to them as they prepare for the B.C. playdowns. Maybe another series against Seattle wouldn't be a bad idea, a tune-up for the provincial.

They need the competition and need it badly to keep sharp. And as the Dogwood League teams from the mainland don't appear too interested in providing the Scorpions with a regular diet of weekend exhibitions, there could be an anterior motive behind that policy. Could it be the Vancouver teams fear Victoria? Could it be also that Vancouver might opt to go for an all-star team from the Dogwood League in the B.C. playoffs?

Nobody appears too certain what the eligibility rules are for the Canadian championship and the playdowns leading up to the final, but don't bet that the powers-that-are on the mainland will ask Victoria its preference before the playoffs. They'll be told.

Still, it would be nice to know. Now, and not at the last minute. Victoria deserves a better chance than to be kept in limbo, nearly all the time.

BANKS TO PLAY

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (UPI) — Gordon Banks, one of the great goalkeepers in English soccer history, will come out of retirement to play with the Fort Lauderdale Strikers of the North American Soccer League.

Banks, 37, made 73 international appearances, playing in the 1966 and 1970 World Cup matches. He became only the second goalkeeper to be named England's footballer of the year when he won the honor in 1972.



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STABLER TAKES HICKOK AWARD

NEW YORK (AP) — Ken Stabler, quarterback of the Super Bowl champion Oakland Raiders, was named the 1976 Hickok professional athlete of the year Monday in the most wide-open race in the 27-year history of the award.

Stabler, the first Hickok winner who failed to win any of the 12 monthly competitions, received 31 first-place votes and 135 points nationwide, balloting by U.S. sports writers and sportscasters. It gave him a seven-point margin over Joe Morgan, Cincinnati Reds second baseman, who received 28 first-place votes and 128 points. Morgan also failed to win a monthly competition.

The 32-year-old Stabler, a left-handed passer, led the Raiders to a 13-1 regular-season record as the top passer in the National Football League. He completed 194 passes in 291 attempts for a 66.7 percentage, 2,737 yards and 27 touchdowns.

He then guided Oakland to playoff victories over New England Patriots and Pittsburgh Steelers to set up the Raiders' 32-14 romp against the Vikings on Jan. 9 in the Super Bowl.

Like Stabler and Morgan, tennis star Chris Evert also missed out on a monthly selection. But she became the highest-placed woman in the award's history, receiving 24 first-place votes and 108½ points, while golfer Judy Rankin got one first-place vote worth five points.

Paul Enquist has to be hoping that success is infectious.

The 19-year-old centre scored 24 goals for Calgary Centennials during the first half of the Western Canada Hockey League campaign and has had difficulty getting untracked, scoring-wise, since being traded to the Victoria Cougars.

He wasn't the only one to feel exasperation in the Cougar den.

Holdovers Gregg Anderson and Curt Frased suffered through slumps-of sorts in recent weeks. And Ron Trafford, a seasoned centre obtained from Regina Pats, couldn't buy a goal in his first six games as a Cougar.

In Saturday's 11-2 victory over Calgary, there were signs the slump season may be over. Anderson had one of his most productive nights in more than a month with two goals and two assists. Frasier hit for his second successive three-goal game.

Tr Trafford "caught it." He broke through to count his first goal as a Cougar.

Now Enquist is hoping it is his turn to contribute. He'd like nothing better than to break out tonight when the Cougars meet the Centennials, his former mates, in Memorial Arena.

Game time is 8:30, and not the usual 8 o'clock start for mid-week games because of the telecast of the National Hockey League all-star game.

Cougar assistant coach Cliff Lennartz, who handled the team in practice Monday while coach Pat Ginnell was in Vancouver, thinks "breakout time" is at hand for the cougars.

"When guys like Anderson and Frasier start producing, then everybody gets going," said Lennartz. "Enquist and Trafford have been around

Bays End Streak, Pick on Stevens

James Bay Athletic Association downed winless Stevens Interiors 86-62 Monday night and end a losing streak at three games during play in the Victoria Senior "B" Men's Basketball League at Victoria High School.

In the other tussle, leading Victoria Athletics bounded Victoria Installations 65-54.

Ian Scott led James Bay with 16 points and Bryan Grant topped Stevens' marksmen with 14.

Athletics were sparked by a 22-point effort by Jim Mackay while Darrell Johnston fired 16 points to lead Trile.

The all-star game was against the Gulls net.

The all-star games against Saanich Braves, who won the first half of the schedule, will be held tonight at 8 in Pearkes Arena and Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. in Fuller Lake Arena.

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AN ACE FOR JOE

Glen Meadows Golf Club member Joe McPherson, playing his home course, scored a hole-in-one on the par-three eighth hole during the weekend.

Maple Leafs will face an all-star team made up from some players who campaigned in the old Vancouver

Island Hockey League tonight at 8:30 p.m. in Esquimalt Sports Centre.

And Juan de Fuca Merchants have bolstered their squad to take on an Island police team in another exhibition contest Wednesday at 9 p.m. in Juan de Fuca Arena.

Doug Hanna, Neil Sanders and Mark Coulombe of Lake Cowichan Lakers, the highest scoring line in the league, will join Merchants for the game.

The Police squad will be formed around a nucleus of players who were on the team that captured the Canadian police championship in 1974.

in the 1960s. Then he became famous for other things — getting on newspapers' front pages pictured with actresses and beauty queens in night clubs and vacation spots.

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signs with a club for the season. When the season and the contract end, he is still tied to that club, whether he likes it or not.

If the club doesn't want to keep him, it fixes his value in the form of a transfer fee — sometimes as high as half a million dollars, often just a few hundred. Until another club agrees to buy him for the set amount, the athlete is not allowed to play league soccer.

T. Beauchere Rogers, co-owner and general manager of the Aztecs, recently expressed his confidence in

the future of soccer in North America in terms that made the English League shiver.

"Over the next five years or so, American clubs will be trying to sign a lot of big stars from all over the world," Rogers said. "The English League has been very helpful. It has supplied a lot of talent over the years. But there is always the possibility that a country's footballers are going to want to play wherever there is most money."

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round draft choice who signed an NHL contract and \$25,000 for a second-round pick.

The NHL countered with a take-it-or-leave-it offer of \$1,000 for a drafted player, \$4,000 for a signed drafted player and \$5,000 for every 40 games played in the NHL over a two-year period.

The juniors turned down the NHL offer and the juniors have since been without an agreement with NHL owners.

"The offer the NHL made to the juniors last June was not a negotiable deal," Campbell said in an interview.

The NHL offers a system in

which the top team in the division makes the playoffs and the fourth team is the one with the best overall record in the three divisions outside of the first-place teams.

Economic conditions are the reason some teams are pressing for a change because realignment might bring about better natural rivalries in certain geographic parts of the league.

Fred Shero, coach of Philadelphia Flyers, favors some sort of a realignment because it might "bring back the

crowds and cut down on the travel."

Scotty Bowman, coach of the defending Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens, wants things to remain the same. He points to the success of three expansion teams—Philadelphia, the Islanders and Buffalo Sabres—as an example of what good management can do in the NHL.

Shero said NHL coaches would do a better job of preparing for teams if they played those teams more often. He said it's hard to get ready for some teams today

because there are so few games under the balanced schedule against a wide variety of opponents.

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Good La Quinta Moves Up On Six-Pack-a-Day Diet

CHICAGO (AP) — Good La Quinta, a five-year-old gelding noted for his beer-drinking habit, won again Sunday in the \$7,000 Elmhurst Purse at Washington Park.

Ridden by Bobby McKeever for his trainer brother Billy, Good La Quinta won in 1:11, the fastest six furlongs of the meet — over a sandy, wintry racing turf.

Good La Quinta started well, but lost the lead 100 yards after the start. He moved into command again before reaching the quarter-mile-long stretch, but again gave the lead up, only to come charging back at the

finish and edge Lionhearted Ralph by a neck.

Owned by Augie Stellia and Clarence Krajenke of Detroit, Good La Quinta was claimed for \$3,750 in July, 1976. Under the care of ex-jockey Billy McKeever, who feeds him a six-pack of beer a day, Good La Quinta has experienced a reversal in form.

"What can I say," trainer McKeever said after the race. "He's a totally different horse since he started drinking beer and put on that extra 150 pounds."

Bobby McKeever said: "I had to keep after him with right-handed whipping all the

way through the stretch to keep him straight because he has a habit of bearing out in the stretch, so he didn't really get all out today. He could have gone faster."

Second betting choice of the crowd of 6,579, Good La Quinta returned \$5.20, \$3.40 and \$2.00. Lionhearted Ralph paid \$4.20 and \$3.40, and Arbor Heights, another 2½ lengths back, returned \$5.

In his last seven starts, Good La Quinta has not been worse than second, while winning four times.

His winning time Sunday was the fastest in his career. He won \$4,000.

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Nute Takes All-Events; Bissett Singles Champ

Veteran Tom Nute is the all-events king of the 37th annual Victoria Men's Tenpin Bowling Association championships.

Nute put together series of 556 in the team event, 615 in the doubles and 523 in the singles for a scratch total of 1,694 pins plus a handicap of 252 for a 1,946 total and a 30-pin edge on second-place Dennis Ralph.

Nute and his partner, Ron Nute, finished third in the doubles at Mayfair Lanes Sunday with a total of 1,310. Nute won \$36 for the all-events title and shared \$85 for the doubles placing.

A once-a-week bowler, Barry Bissett of the Thursday night Automotive League captured the singles title Sunday with a scratch total of 593 plus a handicap of 102 for a

695 total. Bissett finished with a flourish and a 238 game after having started with two modest performances of 187 and 168. He earned \$75.

Bissett and his partner, Wally Lum, came fourth in the doubles with 1,299, and shared \$75.

Ron Schiller took second place in the singles with 582-96-678, while Klaus Meschaeder was third with 676.

High scratch honors went to Fred Miller with 634. Miller also and the high scratch of

1,785 in the all-events on series of 634-575-576.

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FLAMENCO CONCERT AT ART GALLERY

A concert of flamenco music that includes dance and song will be given at the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria Thursday at 8 p.m., in the series jointly produced by the Gallery and Conservatory of Music.

The art of flamenco is indigenous to Andalusia in the south of Spain, but interest in it has spread around the world. Artists who are to perform Thursday, are Alan Rinehart, a classical guitarist who is a regular performer

Opera Snippets Planned

Scenes from the operas, La Traviata, Carmen, La Boheme, and a new short work by Samuel Barber entitled Four Handed Bridge, will be presented by Victoria Conservatory of Music's opera workshop, Friday at 8 p.m. in the Ephraim Evans Auditorium of Metropolitan United

Church, Quadra and Pandora. The opera department of the conservatory continues to grow and this occasion will illustrate the development. Tickets will be available at the door at \$2 and proceeds will be donated to the Arts Council of Metropolitan Church in acknowledgement of the church's co-operation.

Shawnigan Recital

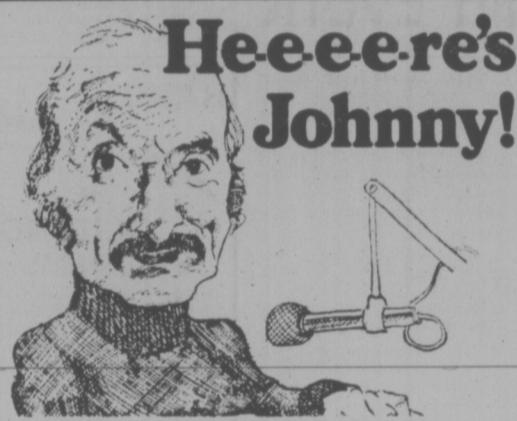
The third of a series of five organ recitals being given this winter at Shawnigan Lake School will feature Jack Lenagan, organist and choirmaster at St. Joseph's Church in Victoria. The recital will

take place Wednesday at 8 p.m. Assisting artists will be Alan Austin Scott and Joyce Kopan, flautists. The program will include works by Bach, Handel, Mozart, Kronke and Quantz. Admission is free.

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Cohen Free On \$25,000 Drug Bail

VANCOUVER — Bail of \$25,000 was granted in British Columbia Supreme Court Monday for Army and Navy department store heir Jeffrey Cohen.

Mr. Justice E. Davie Fulton allowed the bail application after Cohen's counsel, Thomas Dohm, said the accused would reside at his parents' home pending trial on a charge of possessing one ounce of cocaine for the purpose of trafficking.

Dohm said Cohen had been in custody since Dec. 8 and that he faced further confinement pending a preliminary hearing on the charge.

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Low Priority In Budget Irks Farmers

VERNON — B.C.'s farmers again say they're being forced toward militancy by the Social Credit government's low-priority attitude on agriculture.

Pat Hibbert of Deer Creek, vice-president of the B.C. Federation of Agriculture, warned Monday:

"If we have to go militant to get our message across, we'll do it again."

He was referring to a farmers' march on the Legislative Buildings in 1973 when the Agricultural Land Act was passed by the NDP government.

Richard Bullock of Kelowna, who is on the federation executive and is vice-president of the B.C. Fruit Growers' Association, said the government has sold out agriculture in favor of a balanced budget.

He said the \$5.8 million increase to the agriculture budget is shocking.

"That's hardly enough to cover wage increases within the department's staff and nothing more," he said.

Mobile Dealers Hail Tax Cuts

Mobile home dealers have hailed a provincial budget proposal to slash sales taxes on units sold as principal residences.

"We'd be pretty excited," commented Bryan Medhurst, a member of the board of directors of Western Mobile Home Dealers Association and

Permanent Controls Threatened

Wage and price controls could become permanent if Canadians do not restrain their demands, Finance Minister Evan Wolfe said Monday.

The minister said B.C. will remain a part of the federal anti-inflation program until there is more visible control over inflation.

"The performance of the economy this year depends heavily on the successful settlement of collective agreements in many provincial industries," the minister told the legislature. "This is a bar-gaining year in B.C."

The minister told a news conference he is not singling out labor in his call for economic restraint and also called upon professionals, such as doctors, lawyers or accountants, to exercise restraint this year.

Professionals are generally a hard-working group and are entitled, like everyone else, to higher incomes on the basis of productivity increases.

"This government must say now, however, that it will not tolerate unjustified increases in professional fee income," he said.

Government also has a responsibility to keep down the costs of public service, Wolfe said.

Budget Seen 'Lacklustre'

VANCOUVER (CP) — The president of the Employers Council of British Columbia says Finance Minister Evan Wolfe has presented the province with a generally lackluster and neutral budget.

William Hamilton said in a news release the minister has been forced into this position because of the government's policy to present balanced budgets until a surplus has accumulated.

He said this limits the government options to stimulate the economy with tax reductions or other incentives.

Hamilton said the council is pleased there are no tax increases for individuals or corporations, but although it welcomes abolition of succession duties and gift taxes, said that will have little effect on investment.

The budget contains no real stimulus or incentive for investment by corporations or individuals, he added.

REPAYMENT ON CO-OPS DROPPED

Housing Minister Hugh Curtis has announced subsidies to co-operative housing societies no longer require repayment.

Curtis said operating subsidies were set up to help the societies with costs during their initial years, and the intention was to phase out assistance as members' income rises over the next seven or eight years.

The minister said because of the repayment relief, co-operators' members will pay lower rents in the future.

He also said he hopes the move will encourage the housing co-operative movement in B.C., particularly senior citizens' co-ops.

The amount of money involved in the plan was not specified.

Revenue Estimate Down

Estimated revenue from natural resources in B.C. next year is more than \$37 million lower than that of the current year, while earnings from the sale of government services are expected to be \$6.5 million higher.

The figures, released Monday with details of the \$3.83 billion budget for the 1977-78 fiscal year, show that this year's anticipated revenue from timber leases, licences, royalties, sales and logging taxes totalled \$119.9 million, while next year only \$67.7 million is expected.

Estimated revenue from mining is down \$36.3 million and other normal earnings from resource-related items bring next year's total to \$451.4 million, down from this year's \$533.4 million.

Sales and service fees, however, are expected to draw \$55.8 million, up \$6.5 million from this year's \$49.3 million.

These services include medicare, ambulance service, ferry revenue and various other government programs.

Contributions from government enterprises such as the Liquor Administration Branch, B.C. Ferries, and the B.C. Buildings Corp., are estimated at \$203 million, up \$35 million from this year's \$168 million.

Expected revenues from sales, tax, fuel tax, tobacco and hotel tax are up \$20.1 million to \$98.5 million, while anticipated contributions from the other two levels of governments are down \$56.9 million to \$627.8 million.

Corporation, personal, succession and gift taxes, which provide the greatest source of revenue for the government, are expected to increase \$315.6 million to a total of \$1.4 billion in the coming year.

Hikes Predicted In School Taxes

The president of the B.C. School Trustees Association said Monday that the limited increase in provincial revenue for school districts will force school taxes to increase almost everywhere in the province.

"The education department's funding for school districts just won't maintain the 50-50 balance between provincial and municipal shares of elementary and secondary education," said Redina Hamilton, chairman of the Penticton school board.

She said the increase will hardly cover the minimum eight-per-cent increases in store for teachers under federal wage guidelines.

"It leaves almost all school districts with two alternatives — either cut programs or raise school taxes," she said.

"Whatever happened to the government's election campaign promise to reduce the home-owner's share of the cost of education?" she asked. "This budget will increase that share."

Bill Broadley, president of the B.C. Teachers Federation, said that "first examination of figures indicates only a 7.7-per-cent increase for elementary and secondary education."

"This hardly substantiates the budget statement that this government is giving high priority to education," he said in an interview.

The budget will continue to shift the cost of public school education to local

\$47 Million Surplus Possible

British Columbia should end the 1976-77 fiscal year with a \$47 million surplus if trends over the past nine months continue, the government's third quarterly financial report revealed Monday.

The report, tabled in the legislature by Finance Minister Evan Wolfe, indicates many of the ministers grossly overestimated expenditures.

Using the figures provided

in the report for April to December, 1976, and projecting them over the full fiscal year which ends this March 31, it appears the ministry of health, for example, will spend about \$800 million, where it was allotted \$871 million.

But the report also reveals that revenues appear to be underestimated.

If the nine-month trend con-

tinues, revenues should be about \$3.361 billion and expenditures \$3.314 billion of a budgetary surplus of \$47 million.

Wolfe, however, said Monday he is still predicting a "modest" budgetary surplus for the year and although he would not make an actual prediction, he did say he does not consider \$47 million "modest."

Wolfe said during his bud-

get speech he expected a one per cent over-estimation of revenue and expenditures for 1976-77. The nine-month review figures projected to the end of the year show about a 10 per cent over-estimation of expenditure.

The largest discrepancy between original budget allotment and the projected expenditure comes in the ministry of human resources.

That ministry was allotted \$589 million and it appears it will spend about \$478 million, a difference of \$111 million.

Human Resources Minister Bill Vander Zalm said Monday he didn't think his surplus would be that high, but did say it would be more than his original surplus prediction of about \$50 million.

He said the surplus is due to fewer people coming on to the welfare roles than originally anticipated. The ministry thought earlier that the roles would increase dramatically during the winter months, but that has not happened.

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Crown Corporations To Need \$200M More

B.C. Crown corporations will have capital requirements of \$1.3 billion for 1977-78, up \$200 million from the previous year, Finance Minister Evan Wolfe revealed Monday.

Wolfe said this amount includes \$733 million for B.C. Hydro, \$303 million for B.C. Rail, \$108 million for hospital construction and \$120 million for school districts.

The money is obtained through provincial trust funds, the Canada Pension fund and market borrowings.

The finance minister said fund requirements for the current year are estimated at \$1.1 billion, \$145 million more than was originally estimated in the Social Credit government's first budget.

Wolfe also said the B.C. Buildings Corp. will need \$80 million to meet the capital cost of government buildings, the B.C. Ferries Corp.

\$10 a Tank Saving Seen for Propane

About \$700 million of the total needed will be obtained through pension, trustee accounts, and sinking funds administered by the government and through the Canada Pension fund.

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9M-Gallon Load, 'Hard to Believe' Tanker Could Sail

Newport News, Va. — When the crippled Liberian-registry tanker Golden Jason, filled with nine million gallons of crude oil, was towed into port here last week, its captain quickly requested directions to the local Greek Orthodox church.

H wanted to offer a prayer of thanks for reaching port safely, and he could have been excused for treating the accomplishment as a miracle.

"It's hard to believe a ship in this condition could even sail," a U.S. Coast Guard commander said after inspecting and impounding the decrepit tanker.

The coast guard's cursory initial inspection found the

Golden Jason's engine dead, its four orange lifeboats inoperable, and its emergency fire pump useless. The ship's anchors had lost so much chain in an accident that the tanker could not safely drop anchor.

Electrical wiring throughout the ship was makeshift.

"They'd put in an extension cord and run it half-mile down the ship," said the coast guard commander.

The Coast Guard also discovered the tanker, after a 1974 warning in Providence, R.I., did not meet U.S. anti-pollution requirements before coming into American waters.

As flagrant as these violations were, this was far from

the first time the Golden Jason had run afoul of shipping authorities.

According to records obtained by The Washington Post from Lloyd's of London, which insures most ocean-going ships, the Jason has been involved since 1964 in 16 separate accidents, including at least one oil spill — many stemming from crew negligence and many from engine failures that left the tanker drifting without power at sea.

By making it into port here, the Golden Jason has once again been somehow luckier than a number of similar oil tankers that have recently disappeared or broken up at sea, creating catastrophic oil

spills that have alarmed environmentalists.

These mishaps have also stirred sharp controversy over so-called "flags of convenience" like the Liberia flag flown by most of the tankers involved in recent accidents, and by the dilapidated Golden Jason.

The flag of convenience has enabled the Golden Jason to lead a checkered life on the high seas, dodging minimal safety standards, with even the identity of its true owners shielded from authorities.

"Back in the '50s, I've seen some awful things on the water and under our own flag," said Cdr. R. F. Ingraham, a coast guard inspector

here, but the Jason, he conceded, represents one of the worst ships he has ever seen.

Traditionally, ship owners have registered large numbers of ships in the countries of Panama and Liberia, avoiding taxes, safety regulations, wage rates and other requirements that they would face if the same ship were registered in the U.S. or many other nations. They took those steps "historically to avoid everything," Ingraham said.

Most countries have agreed to some international conventions setting minimum safety standards. Liberia and Panama have ship regulations and inspectors, but enforcement

has been virtually meaningless, some U.S. Maritime officials have said. "If any one of their ships is in compliance (with the Liberian safety rule) they've got a good ship," Ingraham said.

Officials say the Golden Jason, a rusting, 683-foot-long tanker sitting alongside an abandoned coal pier now, could have been another Argo Merchant, the tanker that spilled 7.6 million gallons of oil off Nantucket Island in mid-December.

Just how the Jason had its latest accident isn't clear. A

crew member who spoke broken English said that the ship's boilers failed as it was carrying a load of 9.2 million gallons of black No. 6 oil for a trip from Venezuela to New York.

The ship had been out of service for almost a year in Jacksonville, Fla., where it apparently went uninspected by coast guard officials, according to the crewman's account. The ship was to be sold for scrap and to be taken to Spain to be dismantled, he said.

Once the ship was berthed, a coast guard team of inspectors boarded the vessel and discovered what coast guard Cdr. Russell E. Sawyer said were obvious defects.

Before the trip to Spain, the

OIL WASHES ASHORE ON CAPE COD BEACH

WELLfleet, Mass. (UPI) — Oil washed ashore on a Cape Cod beach Monday, the U.S. Coast Guard reported.

The oil, in globules one to two inches in diameter, was washed along a section 200

to 300 yards long at the high-tide mark of Newcomb Hollow, a coast guard spokesman said.

The spokesman said it was not known where the oil came from. Samples were taken for examination, he said.

Carter Eyes Gas Price Hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — After putting the price lid back on gasoline, President Carter is considering taking the lid off natural-gas prices in an effort to cope with a shortage that has closed

schools and caused layoffs as many as 500,000 workers in the United States.

Carter's top energy adviser, James Schlesinger, worked with congressional committee staffs on Monday to draw up possible emergency legislation aimed at easing the natural-gas problems, which have been aggravated by this winter's bitter cold.

Congressional sources said the proposals may urge the temporary removal of federal price controls on natural gas transported between states, and may propose allowing gas pipeline companies to shift supplies among themselves to alleviate the worst shortages.

The White House said Monday that Carter has not received nor studied the proposals.

The proposals would not necessarily end the current crisis but might prompt suppliers to move more gas on to the market—if they have it.

Carter on Monday rescinded

former president Gerald Ford's proposal to end price controls on gasoline, saying he wanted more time to review the action. Congress had been expected to kill the proposal anyway. Critics said it would raise prices at the pump by several cents.

The White House said the president was not committing himself for or against gasoline decontrol. A Carter spokesman noted that the natural gas shortage might affect the gasoline market because refineries may have to reduce production of gasoline in order to turn out more heating fuels. That might make the retention of price controls even more important in the immediate future, the White House said.

In striking down the 1974 law Monday, the court said the prisoners must be re-sentenced to terms ranging from 20 years to life.

The court ruling followed the terms of a U.S. Supreme Court decision last July which declared that death-penalty laws were unconstitutional if they made execution mandatory for certain crimes.

A bill has been prepared to give Tennessee its fourth death penalty law since 1972, providing a death sentence for conviction of a man or woman of first-degree murder. Death-penalty laws in 1972 and 1973 were ruled invalid by the U.S. Supreme Court and state Supreme Court, respectively.

Billy Carmack Brown, 29, one of the men in whose case the state court ruled, had been scheduled to die Feb. 22 for killing a man by running over him with the victim's car.

Limousine Service Ends For White House Aides

WASHINGTON (WP) — President Jimmy Carter's long-standing pledge to end the "imperial presidency" was brought home with special force Monday to members of his White House staff.

Carter ordered that the practice of shuttling senior White House aides from their homes to work and back in

government limousines be terminated immediately.

As a result, the most powerful members of the White House inner circle will have to drive themselves to work or find other means of transportation, just like other government employees.

White House press secretary Jody Powell, who has been taking cabs to work until his Volkswagen arrives in Washington, announced the president's action. Powell said studies were under way to determine what other privileges traditionally associated with the White House should be ended.

Conceding that the White House limousine service was not a major expenditure, Powell said Carter's order was in part "symbolic."

"If the president and the administration intends, as we do, to call on other parts of the executive branch to make reductions and to call on the American people to make individual sacrifices, it is certainly incumbent on us to make similar reductions," he said.

Powell said Carter told members of his cabinet at their first cabinet meeting Monday morning to make similar reductions in their departments' motor pools. The president did not ask the Cabinet secretaries to give up their own government-supplied limousines, he said.

Refinery Explodes

PHILADELPHIA (UPI) —

Witnesses to an explosion and fire at an Atlantic Richfield Co. refinery in South Philadelphia said the blast was so loud and the smoke so black and thick, many thought it was a bomb.

The explosion and fire Monday injured four persons, one critically, rocked buildings as far away as 10 miles and shattered windows of nearby structures.

The cause of the fire, the fourth major blaze in less than two years at a refinery in Philadelphia, was under investigation.

"It looked like a big, mushroom, atom bomb," said Tom Cahill, 24, who was working with a repair crew on the nearby Passayunk Avenue bridge.

New Mexico Developer Guilty of Mail Fraud

NEW YORK (UPI) — The four officers of the Amrep Corp. have been convicted of selling \$1,000 acres of New Mexico wasteland for \$200 million to homeowners who were led to believe the development, Rio Rancho, was a lush suburban retreat.

A jury of six men and six women deliberated for five days and on Monday found the officers, the corporation and two subsidiaries guilty of mail fraud and violations of the federal Interstate Land Sales Act.

U.S. district Judge Charles Metzner set sentencing for March 4. The executives will be fined \$20,000 each. The verdict will be appealed.

The defendants were Howard W. Friedman, 51, of Hewlett Harbor, N.Y., president; his brother Daniel, 41, of Manhattan, vice president in charge of sales; Chester Carley, 51, of Manhattan, executive vice president, and Henry Hoffman, 57, of New York, N.Y., Amrep's director.

Charges against three other defendants were dismissed for lack of evidence after the prosecution rested its case. They are Irving W. Blum, 74, of Manhattan, chairman of the board; Herman Oberman, 75, of Miami Beach, Fla., past president of Amrep, and Solomon Friend, 53, of Great Neck, N.Y., Amrep's senior vice president and general counsel.

The government charged that Amrep and its officers defrauded thousands of aspiring homeowners by representing Rio Rancho in suburban Albuquerque, N.M., as a sound financial investment for young families and retirement-aged couples.

In fact, the government charged, the \$1,000 acres of former cattle grazing land were not improved with the necessary utilities and paved roads.

The defense argued that Amrep invested more than \$100 million in Rio Rancho, which they described as a "thriving, prosperous, happy community, the fastest growing in New Mexico."

The government also charged that Amrep falsely predicted that Albuquerque would expand in the direction

of Rio Rancho, increasing the lots' resale value. Prosecution witnesses noted that most

buyers who tried to resell their lots were unable to do so.

CANADIANS LEAD INVESTMENT IN U.S.

NEW YORK (AP) — Canadians were the most active foreign investors in the United States last year, a private economic research group here said Sunday.

The group, known as the Conference Board, said that of the 250 foreign investment deals in the United States during 1976, Canada accounted for 61; followed by West Germany with 39; Britain with 36; France, 25; and Japan, 18.

Pending figures were available for 123 of last year's transactions and they totalled \$1.7 billion, the board said.

Terrorists Threaten City

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — The terrorist New World Liberation Front has threatened to kill city leaders if they fail to meet its demands, according to a television station which received messages purported to come from the group.

Station KGO-TV was one of

at least two stations which received messages Monday. Reporters said the NWLF said three San Francisco supervisors would be killed unless they provided "decent health care" in city and county jails and had charges dropped against self-proclaimed courier Jacques Rogier.



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Saw Ross Aim Rifle At Victim: Witness

NANAIMO (CP) — Crown witness Gordon Caldwell told a British Columbia Supreme Court murder trial Monday he saw the accused "with the rifle in his hand levelled at Cunningham."

John David Ross is charged with the Nov. 1, 1975, slaying of Malcolm Preston Cunningham near Victoria.

Caldwell said that he, Ross and Cunningham spent that evening looking for someone to sell them heroin. He said Ross told them he knew where some drugs were hidden near the city.

Caldwell testified that the three men visited the home of Russell Mutter before driving to the Humpback Road area near Victoria to look for the drug stash.

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Clark Vows Subsidies For Ferries

VANCOUVER (CP) — A Progressive Conservative government would negotiate subsidies for British Columbia ferries that carry Trans-Canada Highway traffic, opposition leader Joe Clark said Monday.

"It is my view that the Trans-Canada Highway should connect one coast to the other, and it doesn't do that now," Clark said in a radio interview.

"I'd be prepared to enter into negotiations with the province to figure out who would pay how much to ensure that the ferry system is involved with the highway."

Clark also said a Conservative government would be prepared to relax legal requirements for bilingual labelling on Canadian products.

Clark said B.C. products would not require French labelling.

Talks at Seagram

VANCOUVER (CP) — Negotiations have resumed in an effort to settle the 23-month-old strike at the Seagram's distillery in New Westminster. Two meetings were held last week between Seagram's officials and representatives of the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union. The union hopes to negotiate a new contract with Seagram's that will mean a resumption of production by the company, but on a lease arrangement with the new owner.

No Aid Urged

VANCOUVER (CP) — The alleged members of an international drug ring smashed last week by the Co-ordinated Law Enforcement Unit should not receive free legal aid, mayor Jack Vofrich said Monday.

He said public money should not be used to defend the suspects because of the nature of the alleged offences and the amount of drugs involved.

CLUE announced Friday the arrest of 14 persons in six countries, including two being held in Vancouver. Police believe the Hong-Kong-based gang shipped heroin with a street value of \$3 billion to four continents, including North America.

Inquest Ordered

VANCOUVER (CP) — Coroner Glen McDonald said Monday that an inquest will be held into the death of a woman whose body was exhumed last week. The body of Eunice Coote, 92, was authorized after a request by Robert Gardner, defence counsel for Eloise Roads Wilson, 49, charged with murder in the strangulation death Dec. 2, 1975, of Marion Hamilton, 89. Coote was Marion's mother. The trial has been suspended, pending results of the exhumation.

Controls Illegal—Teachers

VANCOUVER (CP) — The future of federal wage controls in British Columbia was said Monday to rest on a technicality as the B.C. Teachers Federation launched a suit against the legality of application of Anti-Inflation Board regulations.

The federation, the Burnaby Teachers Association and a teacher started a B.C. supreme court action on claims that the province did not follow proper legal procedures

when it signed an agreement June 23, 1976, with the federal government to have anti-inflation measures apply in B.C.

The groups filed the action after the federal board reduced an arbitration award increase of 11.9 per cent for 1976 to 9.5 per cent.

During the hearing Monday, Douglas McK. Brown, one of the lawyers representing the plaintiffs, said that the suit is not challenging the B.C. Anti-Inflation Measures Act which

Officials Spend Day In Jail

BURNABY (CP) — Six senior members of the British Columbia corrections branch were sent to prison Monday to get a first-hand look at life behind bars.

The six were sent to the Lower Mainland Regional Correctional Centre, better known as Oakalla, for a 24-hour stay.

Oakalla director Henry Bjarnason said the imprisonment is the culmination of an extensive training course the six have undergone at the department's staff training college.

The short-term prisoners were picked up at the college Monday morning, frisked, handcuffed and driven to Oakalla. There they were stripped, photographed and fingerprinted, showered and placed in cells on tiers in which the general prison population is held.

The six men, all wearing regulation prison clothes, were placed in cells at noon and were released at noon today.

"They will be treated the same as any other inmate of this institution," Bjarnason said.

And, he added, "there is no more danger to them than to any other members of my staff who are in there 24 hours a day."

John Eestedt, deputy chief of the corrections branch, and one of those put behind bars, said it is important for branch officials to try to understand how the institution is operated from the inside.

INCREASED FISH, GAME FINES URGED

PORT COQUITLAM (CP) — Members of the British Columbia Wildlife Federation want stiffer fines for fish and game law-breaking offences.

At their regional convention members voted unanimously to have fines and penalties adjusted.

Fines should "reflect more realistically today's seriousness of abuse of our fish and wildlife resources."

Other resolutions included one to have commercial fishing boundaries created that will allow better escapement into the rivers of dwindling steelhead trout stocks.

Hydro Hires Open-Pit Specialists

VANCOUVER (CP) — A new thermal division of British Columbia Hydro is hiring senior staff specializing in large open-pit coal mining.

Maurice Favell, division head of B.C. Hydro, said Monday this does not mean Hydro is definitely going to build its proposed \$1.2 billion thermal plant at Hat Creek.

"It just means we are going to try to refine our cost estimates to see if it is feasible to go ahead with this project," Favell said.

He said the division was set up in November and it includes several departments, such as thermal engineering and mining with a total staff of about 16.

Hydro has advertised for four new staff for this division — a senior mechanical engineer, a senior mine planning engineer, a senior coal geologist and a geotechnical engineer.

Successful suicides were no more prevalent in the solitary confinement unit than in the general population area.

Cernetic said drugs were a contributing factor in 90 per cent of the incidents of attempted suicide, slashing and self-mutilation.

"My only conclusion is that in most cases, drug dependency played an important role," he said. "Most of these dependencies were developed before an inmate arrived at the prison and had nothing to do with conditions in solitary confinement or administrative segregation."

The trial continues.



Salmon Saved at Sooke

By HUMPHREY DAVY
Times Staff

The volunteers worked in the rain and in mud, but despite the discomforts and back-breaking chore, finished the project in good time.

The most frustrating aspect of the project was dealing with government bureaucracy, Brooks said.

"All the experts — soil, forestry, water — had to have their two-bits worth," he said. "Sometimes we didn't know if we were coming or going."

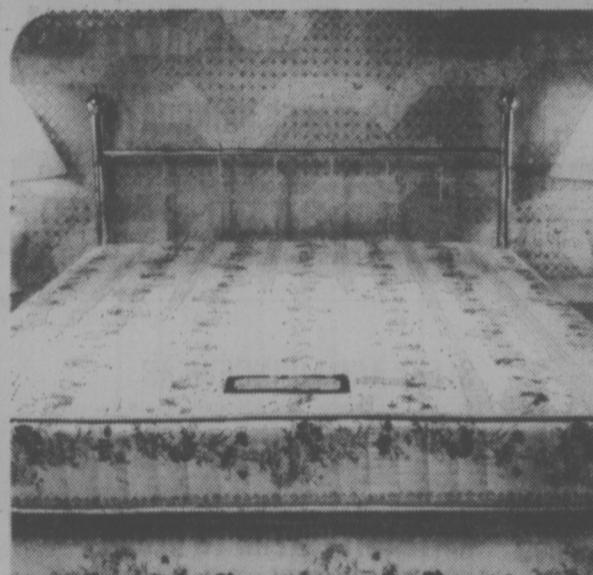
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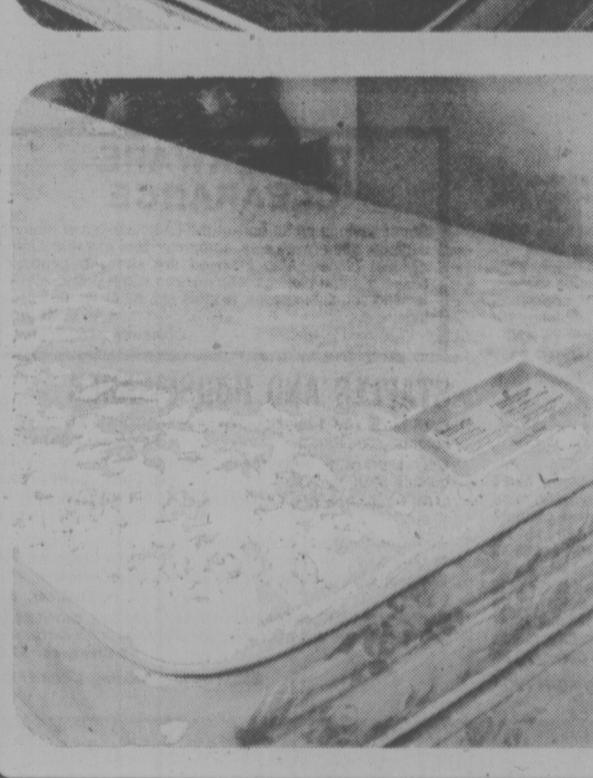


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Immunity Planned for S.A. Riot Police

CAPE TOWN (Reuters) — Police acting in "good faith" to prevent or control rioting will be immune from civil or criminal prosecution under a bill published today by the South African government.

The indemnity bill back-

dates the protection to last June 16, the day black rioting broke out in Soweto township. A number of civil cases are pending in which blacks accuse the police of assault and malicious damage to property during the unrest.

If the bill goes through, as it is almost certain to do given the government's overwhelming parliamentary majority, it is presumed that these actions will be quashed. A black newspaper, The World, says in an editorial that the bill represents "a shocking reversal of the basic norms of justice, which insist that all men should be subject to the law, by a government already renowned for bending the law to suit its own purpose."

"To place policemen above the law they enforce on others is dangerous," The World says. "The police are ordinary men who can sometimes lose their tempers and normal restraint in difficult confrontation situations."

Accused on Bail

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — Frank Etheridge, 32, of Prince George was released on \$5,000 bail after he was charged with second-degree murder in the shooting death of his wife, Gail Louise Etheridge, 26. Police said the woman was shot with a .22-calibre pistol at her residence. Etheridge was to appear for preliminary hearing May 16.

Crew Saves Sick Man

An unidentified Irving's Landing resident on the Sechelt Peninsula owned his life to a stopover made by the Canadian coast guard cutter Ready Monday night. The crew went to the cafe and found the man unconscious and suffering from an emphysema attack. They administered oxygen, revived the man, who was then taken to a doctor.

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Acrylic Sweaters in assorted long-sleeve styles. Were 9.99.

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Fashion Cardigans and Pullovers for young men. Were 12.99 to 22.99.

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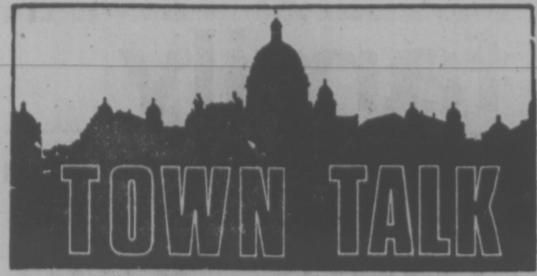
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Drivers Jailed, Fined

One man was fined \$1,200 and another jailed for 14 days today on impaired driving charges.

Both men had previous impaired convictions.

Jailed for 14 days by provincial court Judge William Oster was Gary Woolcock, 20, of 1830 Fern.

Woolcock pleaded guilty Jan. 14 to having a blood alcohol reading over .08. The court was told Woolcock had a previous impaired conviction in 1976.

Judge Oster levied the \$1,200 fine against William McClinchey, 47, of Cobble Hill.

McClinchey, who was convicted of impaired driving in 1972, had a blood alcohol reading of .24.

The court was told McClinchey was involved in an accident at Douglas and Finlayson after drinking beer in the Ingram Hotel.



For veteran reporters and photographers, the latest accident victims are usually just more names in a never-ending series of tragedies which make up part of the news.

But not always. Last month Times photographer Bill Halkett set out to find a couple of children to illustrate a news item of the moment, an increase to 25 cents in the price of chocolate bars.

He lucked and found two bright kids nearby who happily posed, munching the chocolate bars he supplied. The picture appeared on the front page on the Times Dec. 30.

Halkett came back to the office from that assignment to tell us what pleasant models he had found, nicely turned out, lively and friendly.

They were Frank Arnold, 10, and Hazel Arnold, 9, above, who died Sunday in a boating accident on Saanich Inlet.

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We stand corrected. In a recent article on the growth of Master Charge and ChargeX we said there were no retailers in Victoria offering a discount for customers who pay by cash.

Not so, says Victoria's former mayor Peter Pollen.

Peter Pollen Ford does and the company has been doing it for years. "And we do a lot of business," Pollen adds.

Are there any other cash discounters out there? We'd like to hear from you.

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Did Mr. Barrett and the NDP Fumble the Finances? How Is Social Credit Financial Management Shaping Up? Should B.C. Succession Duties Be Eliminated?

The answers to these questions are all contained in Vol. I, No. 1 of the B.C. Digest of Public Affairs, a small quarterly started by Bill Stow of Victoria.

His opinions are probably better informed than most political observers' — Stow was top economist in the B.C. Finance department until his demotion and later resignation last year after he went public with confidential finance department information on the size of the NDP government's deficit.

The answers to the questions above? In Stow's opinion, the Barrett government's budget-making was not bad, "hardly a raid on the provincial treasury by the socialist hordes!" Considering transfers to special funds, the NDP's over-all deficit for 1972-73 was just \$22.4 million, says Stow.

On succession duties, he says they elimination cannot be supported by any research or hard evidence. The traditional rationale is that succession duties — a tax levied on the estate of a deceased person — discouraged new businesses from coming to B.C. But as Stow points out, corporations are exempt.

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Manpower has filled some strange job orders but none stranger than a recent request from Victoria's Blue Mouse Film Productions.

Movie principals Randy Cheveldave and Will Wloch wanted a man and a woman to star in its first movie, the Joy of Love, a 10-minute flick on the love life of a young married couple.

The response was spectacular — 15 guys scrambled to the audition and Dave Wallace, who has some stage and film experience won the role.

Wloch's female lead was Jacqueline Elliott, a model from Toronto who had never acted or appeared in a movie before.

All in all, says Wloch, it came out considerably better than he thought it would.

He says Joy is not porno, rather a sex education film.

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A Victoria woman, Jean Genn, has been elected reeve of the northwestern Ontario centre of Ear Falls. Daughter of Mrs. Norman Barlow of 1619 Kenmore, the 39-year-old reeve served two years on council before winning the right to wield the gavel. She is married to David Genn, also of Victoria, and attended Mount View and Royal Oak high school. She beat the reeve-incumbent, Stan Leschuk, 515 votes to 366.

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Moderate success of the university student bus pass system being tried at UVic is being watched by Hydro planners with a view to extending the arrangement to the public.

The experiment has not been in effect long enough to prove itself, but according to planner Alex MacInnis "We're definitely looking at the pass system."

A student can save about \$12 a term in bus fares by buying a pass within the first few days of the start, and currently 804 are issued, down about 50 from last term, which Alma Mater Society general manager David Clode attributes to a mild winter and more bicycling.

'Slips' Cost 18 Months

A man who broke a 12-year series of criminal offences to work at what his lawyer said was his client's first decent job was sentenced in county court today to 18 months in jail.

John Horne, 29, of 1242 Fort, appeared before Judge Peter Millward after being found guilty last week of breaking, entering and theft at Imperial Building Materials Ltd., 2955 Douglas, last Aug. 7.

Defence counsel Bill McEl-

Survival Campaign Launched By Club

The Racquet Club of Victoria, which has lost 300 members since the Oak Bay Recreation Centre opened, will launch a membership campaign Feb. 1 in an effort to overcome its financial difficulties.

Details of the campaign will be completed at a special meeting at the club tonight.

Vice-president Glen Anderson, who is also membership chairman, said two new types of membership will be introduced.

The first, corporate associate memberships, will be offered to companies. For a membership fee of \$250, five employees will be able to use the club's facilities by paying the monthly dues.

The monthly dues for a single adult with children, or a couple, are \$43. A family's monthly dues are \$48.50 and a single adult, \$34.

An associate membership for single adults at \$150 will also be available.

In an effort to attract new members, Anderson said the club has introduced seasonal dues. A curler, as an example, need only pay dues for the months he or she is curling.

Anderson said the membership stands at roughly 600 and it is hoped the drive will raise another 300 members, bringing the membership roll back to where it was two years ago.

Anderson said the opening of the Oak Bay recreation centre coupled with the general economy is the cause of the club's problems.

\$100,000 Blow Feared by Lum

It's what's not in Monday's budget speech that has Saanich Mayor Ed Lum worried.

Lum said today he has heard "some pretty strong rumors" from pretty reliable sources that the B.C. Assessment Authority will increase its charges to municipalities.

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Pair Proves There's Money In Furniture

OTTAWA (CP) — Hand-made furniture is good business and two business administration professors from University of Western Ontario have proved it.

Gilles Ouellette and Virginia Miller started in 1970 with one store and six pieces of furniture. Now they have about 60 pieces and eight outlets nationally.

With modern equipment but using only traditional techniques, they have turned out large quantities of hand-made reproductions of early Canadian furniture.

The only compromise is the occasional bolt but all the wood is pine.

Step 1 was hiring a designer to copy antiques and a cabinetmaker to reproduce them. Now they offer advice on finances and equipment and provide training for craftsmen of other Pre-Confederation Furniture outlets.

One here is owned by three couples. Because the hus-

bands have outside jobs, Irene Richardson, the manager, had to hire staff. Their first concern was to find craftsmen.

Of the two licensed cabinetmakers that Mrs. Richardson and her business partners were able to find, one is a native of Czechoslovakia and the other comes from The Netherlands. They also hired three experienced craftsmen without papers.

Since opening in April, Mrs. Richardson has found it necessary to increase the workshop staff of 12 to meet demand. Three are registered apprentices who must log 8,000 hours of on-the-job training and 300 hours of classes to qualify as registered cabinetmakers.

Construction of the furniture covers two stages.

One of the more difficult pieces are begun in London and sent as "blanks" to Ottawa where they are assembled and finished. Other pieces requiring less sophisticated equipment are built completely in Ottawa with lumber from the London company.

However, at the moment, wood is hard to come by because the United States Bicentennial produced a strong demand for pine and supplies have sharply decreased.

Plans now are under way for a new showroom in Kingston.

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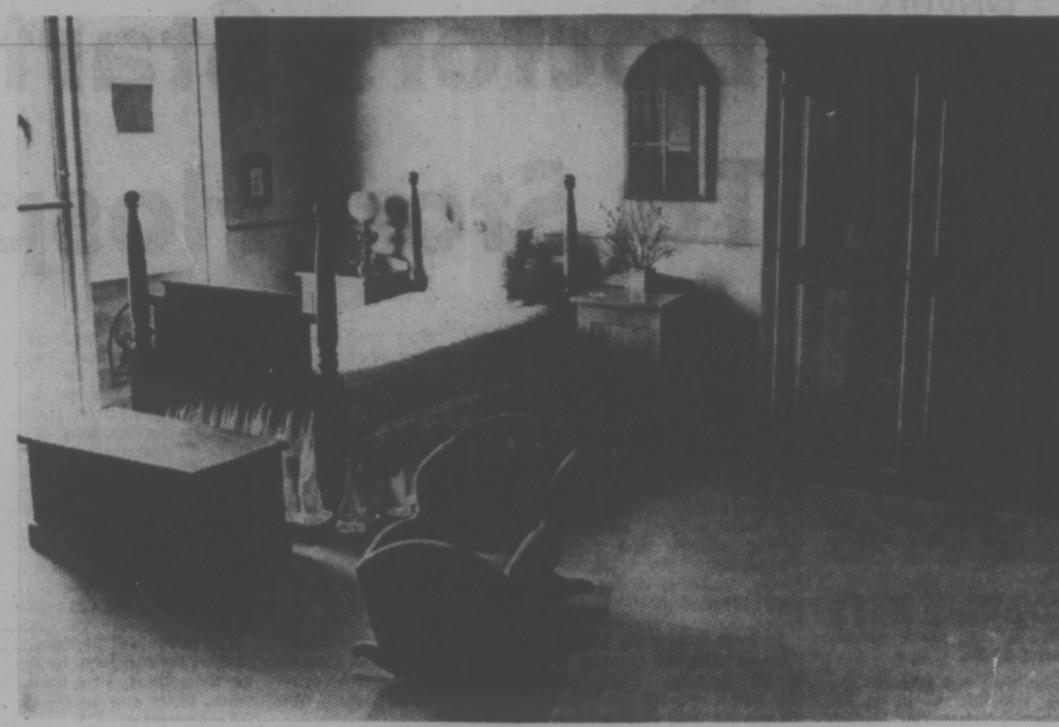
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Call Doctor Right Away

TORONTO (CP) — A Toronto pediatrician says that one of the big problems as children get the flu is that parents don't call the doctor soon enough when their child is sick because they don't want the doctor to think they are over-reacting.

Dr. David Lloyd, on the staff of the Hospital for Sick Children, said: "We try to train parents to call us up whenever they are worried about a child's health and not to think of us as awesome people."

Janet Chappell, a nutritionist at the hospital, said parents also have a stock of tried and true techniques for amusing and comforting youngsters when they are ill.

She said that experienced mothers and fathers are prac-

tical when it comes to finding out how sick their children are by reading their responses to sleep, food and activity.

Ms. Chappell said there is no one diet for a sick child but children on the mend will indicate their desire for food.

Her advice was a simple general guideline: "Small meals of favorite foods, six or seven times a day."

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tical when it comes to finding out how sick their children are by reading their responses to sleep, food and activity.

But she did suggest trying to keep children who are sick both nourished and entertained with foods "by using them imaginatively."

"If a child wants a Popsicle for breakfast, give him a Popsicle," she said. "He needs fluids and if the temperature doesn't bother him, it's fine."

She also suggested that a sick child may have a day brightened by foods at breakfast time that he normally would have for dinner because they may tempt a lagging appetite.

Recreation co-ordinator for the hospital, Ellen Saunders, said that active sick children can play because it has healing properties too.

She suggested that a child who has to be home sick for a long time have these companions: plants that children can grow themselves from seeds — an engaging activity; and certain animals like gerbils, goldfish or parakeets and canaries — caring for them helps a child to forget them help a child to forget he's lonely.

Music also soothes a sick child, she said. She has found classical music is best.

Sisterhood Celebrates 108 Years

The Victoria chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood will celebrate the organization's 108th anniversary from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 2121 Cedar Hill Cross Road.

Mrs. A. E. Leonard, president of the Victoria P.E.O. Sisterhood, will receive guests, which will include Miss Juanita Davis, president of the Provincial Chapter, and Miss Laurie Johnson, winner of the local P.E.O. scholarship.

Mrs. J. L. Gayton is in charge of arrangements.

The P.E.O. Sisterhood was founded Jan. 21, 1869, at Mount Pleasant, Iowa, and is a philanthropic, educational organization.

The members, including 2,000 in Canada, support many projects to help women achieve educational goals.

These include an educational loan fund with low interest rates, an international peace scholarship fund, which assists women from many countries studying in North America, and a continuing education fund which helps women who return to school after being out-of-school for some time.

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Teens Seen 'Endangered'

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By HARRIET HART

Canada is blessed with great mineral wealth. It has become the third largest mineral producer in the world, after the United States and the Soviet Union.

The 12-page illustrated brochure "Finding Out About Metals" states that man encountered metal about 8,000 years ago. The first metal he found was gold; later he came across copper. Silver was the third metal he discovered. As late as 800-700 BC iron became a very important metal and has not lost its status since.

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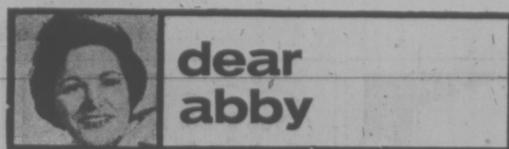
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Dress Responsible?

DEAR ABBY: It's no wonder so many girls and women are raped these days. They go around without bras, wearing halters and skin-tight pants, and some of them even leave their whole midsections bare naked. They practically ask for it!

I'm not saying we should be easy on the rapists who commit these terrible crimes, but the way some girls dress I can understand how a man can be tempted beyond his ability to control himself.—GRANDMA.

DEAR GRANDMA: The theory that girls "ask for it" by the way they dress is not valid. What's so tempting about a 10-month-old baby wearing a diaper? Or an 85-year-old woman in a house dress?

Rapists are more interested in humiliating and degrading a female than in satisfying themselves sexually. Any female (of any age) will do.

One piece of advice to women on how to dress to protect themselves against rape: Wear shoes you can RUN in.

DEAR ABBY: The continuing discussion in your column regarding "recycled dentures" brought to mind an old limerick which you may have heard:

"There was an old man of Tarentum
Who gnashed his false teeth 'till he bent 'em.
When they asked him the cost
He replied, 'I can't say, for I rent 'em'."

My research reveals that 70 years ago, British weekly newspapers carried this advertisement: "Old artificial teeth bought. If forwarded by post, utmost value per return or offer made..."

So you see, Abby, what happens to old dentures has intrigued people for a long, long time.—M.E. RING, D.D.S.

Depression Grows in U.S.

By JANE E. BRODY
New York Times

NEW YORK — The feeling is familiar to most everyone — nothing seems satisfying, things don't work out, you can't get yourself to do much of anything and your mental landscape is bleak. It's called depression, and few of us get through life without experiencing it at one time or another.

Many things can get a person down, including the weather (mid-winter dol-drums are an annual event for some), the letdown after the excitement and activity of the holidays, insufficient sleep, too much work and too little time in which to get it done. The ordinary everyday "blues" are fortunately usually brief and self-curing and, although they take the edge off life, are not terrible incapacitating.

However, for millions of people, depression is a far more serious, sometimes even life-threatening, situation. Most serious depressions are reactions to stressful life events — loss of a job or a spouse, serious financial setback, a serious illness or injury, the end of a love affair. After a reasonable number of weeks or months, most depressions usually lift and the world and life begin to seem brighter.

But for some people, depression is a recurring phenomenon that is provoked by events that others seem to weather with little difficulty or get over very quickly. And for others, depression happens "out of the blue", unrelated to any particular situation, and totally incapacitates its victim. Many accomplished people suffered from severe depression, including Sigmund Freud, Abraham Lincoln, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Winston Churchill and the astronaut, Col. Edwin E. Aldrin.

The U.S. National Institute of Mental Health estimates that each year between 4 and 8 million Americans suffer depressions severe enough to keep them from performing their regular activities, or compelling them to seek medical help.

Perhaps 10 to 15 million others have less severe depressions that interfere to some extent with the performance of normal activities.

All told, depression is clearly "the mental illness of the '70s" rivaling schizophrenia as the No. 1 mental health problem in the U.S. and currently increasing significantly among people below the age of 35.

Some experts say the social tensions of the times — the erosion of trust, diminished personal impact, unreals-

DEAR M.E.: Thanks to the editor of the Bulletin of the History of Dentistry.

DEAR ABBY: You printed a letter recently from a former G.I. who said he's yet to see an Army chaplain who would help a G.I. marry a girl who wasn't round-eyed, Anglo-Saxon and Christian. I agree with you; that was an unfair knock to chaplains. But we're hardly a "melting pot" in this country yet, either.

Years ago, I was in love with a wonderful girl I'll call "Rosita." We worked and saved — even picked prunes together. We had a few acres and a shack picked out. I put a tractor together from salvage parts, and we went shopping for used furniture. God knows how much I loved that little dark-haired girl!

But she was Catholic and I, Protestant. She, Italian and English. After a struggle with parents, preacher and priest, they finally said they could overlook the difference in nationality, but religion — NO! Each side insisted it had to be their church all the way. Nobody would give in, so we had to say goodbye. Now I see how foolish we were.

Religious freedom? What a joke. Were I to do it again, I'd tell the whole bunch to go fly a kite. A man has only one love like this in a lifetime.—BLEW MY CHANCE.

Students Hired

BURNABY (CP) — Simon Fraser University has received \$11,000 from the provincial government to hire 10 students as part of a province-wide work and study project. The purpose of the project is to see if students get into less debt by working in jobs with salaries paid by government departments. Projects range from conducting sports programs in area schools to co-ordinating tutorial services.

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IN JANUARY!

"If you haven't started this year's garden yet, it's high time you began," says John C. Huckans. And John, who raises bountiful harvests on a small city lot in upstate New York, knows what he's talking about.

"Instead of waiting for the traditional beginning of the garden season — Memorial Day in my area — I started a few tomato plants last year in flowerpots in January. I don't have any fancy equipment for such indoor gardening, and the vines grew quite well when placed in a large, southern bay window."

"By mid-March, the plants were 15 inches tall and starting to bloom. I actually began picking vine-ripened tomatoes indoors in April . . . and harvested my first ripe 'outdoor' tomatoes on May 16. This was about two weeks before most of my neighbors even set their plants outside!"

Start a garden in January! You'd better believe it's a good idea . . . even as far north as upstate New York!

New at gardening? Trying to raise vegetables on a small city plot? Let John Huckans help you plan your garden patch. Send 25¢ and a stamped, self-addressed long envelope to THE MOTHER EARTH NEWS, Box 4994, Des Moines, Iowa 50304. Ask for Reprint No. 180, MINI-GARDEN.

indoor gardens

By LYNN and JOEL RAPP
Dear Lynn and Joel: Most of my plants are in plastic pots. They seem to be doing well, but I've heard that plastic isn't good for them? Should I transplant them into clay pots? —M.S.

Dear M.S.: Plants are usually sold in plastic pots because they are lightweight, unbreakable and inexpensive to ship. Plants need less water in plastic pots and can live for a long time if you are careful about not overwatering. There are some very attractive plastic pots on the market. We particularly like the clear, lucite-like pots because you can see the roots growing.

Clay pots have certain advantages. They are heavier and less likely to tip over, and because of their porosity they dry out more quickly if you are heavy-handed with your water. And they are natural.

By using the double-potting method we can use the clay pots and virtually eliminate their frequent watering demands.

The clay pot is set within another, the bottom of which is lined with broken clay pots or gravel, and the space between the pots is stuffed with sphagnum moss. Water is then poured onto the moss rather than into the inner pot, and it seeps through the clay walls to moisten the soil within.

One advantage of double

Mrs. Clancy
New President
Of Irish Group

Mrs. Maura Clancy is the new president of the Irish Canadian Cultural Association. Also elected at the second annual meeting were vice-president Eugene Groga treasurer Frank Heinrich and secretary Margaret Lavalle.

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Glasses Draw Passes

NEW YORK (AP) — Women often make passes at men who wear glasses, says a New York optician, who adds that it all depends on the style of the spectacles. Changing glasses can make a man look younger, jazzy or more sophisticated, he says. And it can do the same thing for a woman.

"A new frame style can do what a new dress or a new haircut can do," says Vienna-born Alfred Poll, who has been making glasses for almost three decades.

In the last five years wearing glasses has become so fashionable that top designers like Christian Dior, Pierre Cardin, Givenchy and Pucci began making spectacle frames, and many people today wear glasses who don't need them to see. "I only wear these for glamor," said one Manhattanite, twirling her large, non-prescription, gray-frosted specs.

When Poll first started grinding lenses 27 years ago people had little choice in frames, he recalls. "They could have standard square, oval or slightly upswep ones," he said. Today there is a much wider choice.

"I like working with people and I like the activity," she said. "It keeps the adrenaline flowing. You have to be alert and you have to see things developing and correct them before they become problems.

"Basically there are five operations at Thompson.

"First they dig the ore out of the ground, then they crush and mill it, smelt it, refine it and ship it out."

"Jackie Onassis started that trend." But, he cautions, big lenses must be ground more carefully to insure that the focal centre of the glass matches the focal centre of the eye. Narrower shapes are popular for night-time wear.

Strong lenses can be made to appear weaker by beveling, surface coating and a suitable frame, he said. There also are new glasses without centre circles for people who have had cataracts removed.

And there is even an attachment, the pterygium crutch, which fits inside the frame and is designed to help the eyelid open.

Glasses today also are more specialized, Polls points out. There are specific glasses made for tennis, golfing, boating, fishing and skiing. There are glamor glasses for evening, fold-up glasses for the opera and even the monocle is making a minor comeback, he said.

For many, glasses have become not only a necessity, but also a major accessory, Poll notes. "After all," he says, "isn't it the face that people will remember more than the shoes, gloves or hat?"

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Mrs. Nicholls grew up in

Metropolitan Toronto and until she was in her final year of high school she didn't know what she wanted to do as chemical engineering.

"I was doing well in maths and chemistry and one of my teachers suggested it," she said. "I had a talk with the school's guidance counsellor who, strangely enough, tried to talk me out of it. At that point I became rather discouraged, but the teacher got back to me and gave me fresh courage."

She chose University of Waterloo because she was attracted to the co-operative system.

"I've never been sorry. I've paid my entire way through university. The other good thing about it is that I've had the chance to get out in the job market and find out what engineering is all about."

She hopes eventually to get a production job right down among the furnaces in the smelting operation. Furnaces that melt tons of ore at a time up to 1,800 degrees Fahrenheit, where there is lots of activity and noise.

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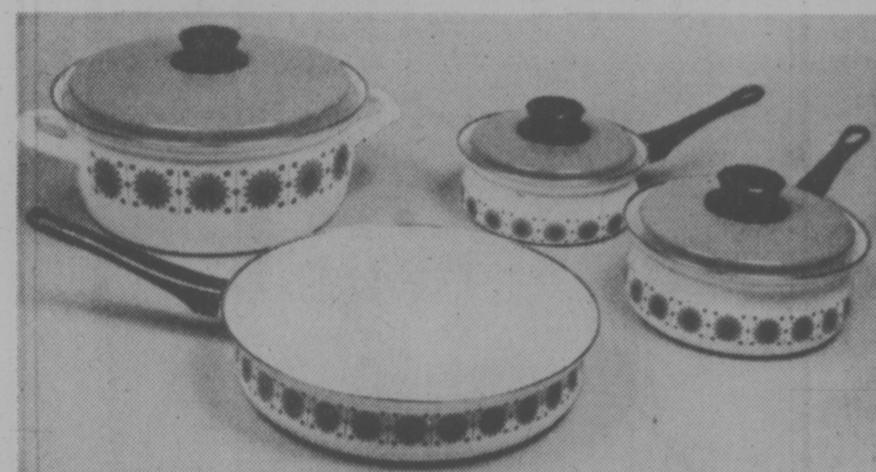
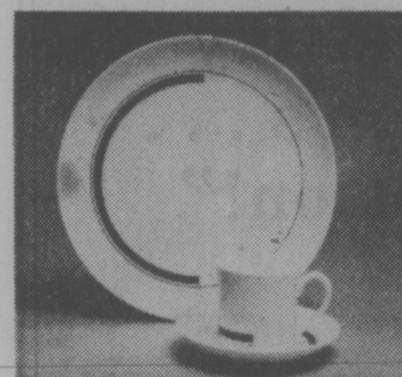
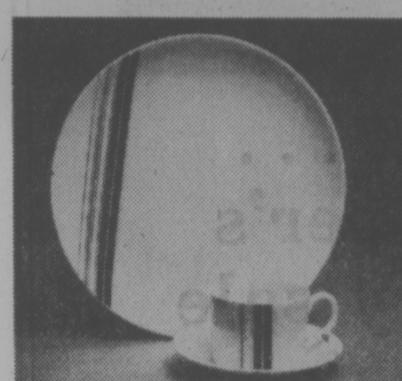
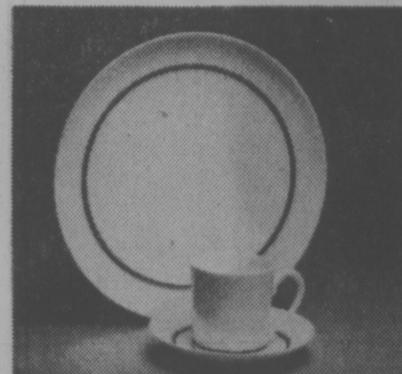
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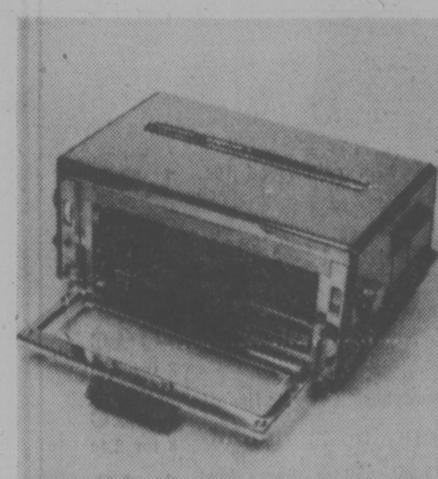


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Charlescraft hair dryer has 4 settings

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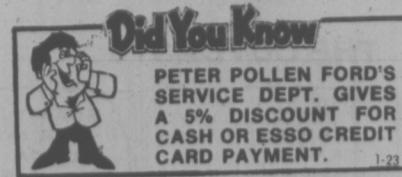
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12 Programs Facing Social Spending Axe

By LIZ HUGHES

Times Staff

FULL PAY RESTORED TO MLAs

Finance Minister Evan Wolfe's provincial budget Monday called for restraint by all British Columbians but he managed to find enough money to restore MLAs to their full salary of \$24,000 a year.

Members who get extra pay, such as cabinet ministers, leaders of all opposition parties, the Speaker and deputy Speaker, also have had their pay restored to the 1975 levels.

This means the premier again will be paid \$52,000, cabinet ministers \$48,000, the Speaker and leader of the Official Opposition \$43,000, leaders of the Liberal and Progressive Conservative parties and deputy Speaker \$32,500 each.

Last year, as an "example" to the rest of the province, the Social Credit government reduced the 55 MLAs' salaries by 10 per cent for one year.

The new estimates of revenue and expenditure reveal the cut has been restored right on schedule. Salaries will go from \$21,600 to \$24,000 a year.

Rich Tax Holiday —Barrett

Opposition Leader Dave Barrett said the budget means "the wealthy and super-rich have been given a tax holiday of \$30 million a year."

The New Democratic Party leader said the elimination of the succession duty act by the Social Credit government constitutes an incredible giveaway.

"While they're asking for restraint from ordinary citizens, the wealthy are smiling all the way to the bank," said Barrett.

Conservative leader Scott Wallace termed the budget "dull, depressing and unimaginative."

Dr. Wallace said the most pessimistic note in the budget is that an increase of only 5.9 per cent in revenues is predicted, even though there is a predicted real growth of between five and six per cent.

He said this does not make sense in light of projected inflation of at least six per cent.

Dr. Wallace accused the Social Credit government of purposefully underestimating its revenues.

"It's very much the typical Social Credit approach used during the last 20 years," the Conservative leader said.

He criticized the budget for containing "very little of anything solid to create jobs."

He said he feels that the big contradiction in the budget is that in a time of restraint it has plans for a hedgehog of social programs, specifically universal Pharmacare.

Dr. Wallace said that because the budget estimates an expenditure of only about \$25 million on the plan this coming fiscal year and that this year's figure for selective pharmacare is about the same, then it is obvious there will be some sort of user charge.

Liberal Leader Gordon Gibson echoed Wallace's concern about the Pharmacare plan, saying it will take money away from senior citizens and others who really need a free service.

Gibson said the budget is a "film-flam" one because it does not do what the government said it would — provide plans for investment in the economy.

WEATHER

Tonight: Clear Wednesday: Sunny

By LIZ HUGHES

Times Staff

More than one-third of all human resources programs in B.C. will get less money next year, the new provincial budget revealed Monday.

The budget for the entire ministry is down almost \$26 million from \$595 million to \$569 million and it appears from estimates for the 1977-78 fiscal year that individual budgets for 12 of the ministry's 32 programs will be cut.

Programs allotted less money than last year include:

—Contract treatment program, which provides special treatment for children with behavioral and emotional problems drops from about \$225,000 to \$51,000;

—Adoption program decreased from \$98,000 to \$91,000;

—Specialized treatment resources, which gives basic care and special services suited to a child's emotional or behavioral needs, is down from \$15.3 million to \$14.5 million;

—Special services to children, which gives counselling services to a child and his family in an attempt to keep the child out of an institution, decreases from \$5.3 million to \$2.2 million;

—The child day care program, which provides day care services for children during a prolonged illness or crisis, or to enable parents on welfare to work or back to school, is lowered from \$15.9 million to \$11.1 million;

—The craft therapy program goes from \$3,600 to \$1,850;

—The parent encouragement program which gives counselling services to foster parents is decreased from \$7,700 to \$7,455;

—The Guaranteed Available Income for Need (GAIN) program, the province's guaranteed income program for senior citizens and handicapped people, is lowered from \$128.6 million to \$108.8 million;

—A dull care program, which provides care for senior citizens in boarding houses and rest homes who are partially able to take care of themselves, goes from \$48.1 million to \$41.4 million;

—Community grants program, which funds community projects operated by non-profit societies, such as crisis centres and family life counselling centres, is decreased from \$8.2 million to \$7.8 million;

—The income assistance program or welfare goes from \$218.8 million to \$193.9 million and is decreased from \$355,000 to \$160,000.

Human Resources Minister Bill Vander Zalm said after the budget was released Monday that although many of his programs have been cut his budget is not actually down from last year.

He said he will finish the current fiscal year March 31.

COFFEE GOING EVEN HIGHER

LONDON (UPI) — Buy your coffee now — while it's cheap.

That was the unofficial message from delegates at a 16th annual coffee conference that has brushed aside its routine business to see if something can be done about coffee's sky-high price.

Macdonald, in a speech prepared for the Canadian Club of Toronto, said he is aware that the level of profits is below the point necessary to attract fresh investment initiatives.

"The real shortage is still to come," said Marcello Raffaelli of Brazil. "People will get hysterical in June, just as the Brazilian winter begins."

Gibson said the budget is a "film-flam" one because it does not do what the government said it would — provide plans for investment in the economy.

By JIM ROBB

Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Educators need to spend more time making their courses relevant to the four decades over which most people work, Manpower Minister Bud Cullen said today.

The youth unemployment rate is 250 times higher than the adult unemployment rate, he told a conference on youth employment policies.

It is time for this country to reorient its education so

BOMBS FIZZLE

OTTAWA (CP) — Police said Monday they are investigating an apparent attempt early Sunday morning to firebomb the building which houses the anti-inflation board's offices.

Two bottles, apparently filled with gasoline, were thrown, one late Saturday night, the other early Sunday morning. Only the second ignited.

Toxic PCB Spill Near Pr. Rupert

A spill of about 60 gallons of a highly toxic liquid into waters near Prince Rupert appears to have gone undetected for more than a full day.

Environment Minister Jim Nielsen told a hastily-called news conference Monday that he'd been informed of the spill of polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) into Porpoise Harbor after a transformer exploded at the Canadian Celulose mill.

He said the transformer released about 120 gallons of PCB. About 120 gallons is contained on the roof of the pulp mill while the remainder flowed through the sewage system into the harbor which is four miles south of Prince Rupert.

The explosion, however, occurred Saturday night, the minister said, yet he wasn't informed of it until about 1:45 p.m. Monday.

The PCB is the same substance which recently found its way into the water system of residents of McLeese Lake in the central interior.

Eighteen families were ordered not to drink the area's water after fears were expressed that they might have been poisoned by the substance.

B.C. Hydro had buried and later recovered, 69 stainless steel containers filled with four quarts of PCB in each container.

Dr. Phil Long, director of the Cariboo Health unit, said after the McLeese Lake spill was discovered that one quart of PCB "is sufficient to wipe out an entire lake — a cubic mile of water."

Nielsen said he was not suggesting there was any cause for alarm and more details would be available after a pollution control officer has surveyed the harbor.

Nielsen said he was not aware of damage to fish or wildlife but indicated that branch of the government had been informed of the spill.

A. Grikis, chief technical officer for the pollution control branch in Victoria, said in an interview that CanCef did not report the spill to the branch until Monday afternoon.

Authorities from the federal department of the environment have also been told of the spill, he added.

Asked what caused the delay in reporting the incident, Grikis replied, "this is one of the questions that we're asking the oil. They might have a perfectly legitimate excuse."

"I don't really think that there's any problem," he said, "but we can't just let go. That's why we're investigating it."

Asked if it is a federal or provincial responsibility to clean up, or supervise the cleaning of the spill, Grikis said, "The decision is pretty hazy."

8TH HOLDUP IN WEEK

A bearded gunman wearing sunglasses held up the ticket seller at the Capital Theatre, 805 Yates, Monday night and made off with about \$900.

It was the twelfth armed robbery or attempted armed holdup in Greater Victoria this year and the eighth in the past week alone.

Victoria police said the man

approached the ticket wicket at 7:34 p.m. just after moviegoers had entered the theatre for the start of the feature film *A Star is Born*.

Victoria police Inspector Norman Bath said another man was seen standing near the theatre and may have been an accomplice.

The robber fled on foot.

Police described the gunman as about six feet tall, 170 pounds, and wearing a dark

blue jacket and light cord pants.

The other man is described as about five feet, six inches tall, of medium build with black hair and a black mustache and goatee.

The robbery was the second on Monday. At noon a lone bandit armed with a dagger-type knife held up the Mac's Convenience Store, 3624 Sheppard and got away with about \$75 in bills.

Bigger Profits Hinted

"There is general agreement that the start of the solution to most of the economic challenges we face lies in more capital investment. To improve productivity in international competition, to overcome unemployment and to avoid future shortages of the Commodity," he said.

The motion for the debate, put by New Democratic Party leader Ed Broadbent, came during the first sitting of the Commons following the Christmas recess.

Kaplan observed that steps to encourage investment had already been taken, and that recent lowering of the bank rate was a further inducement.

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young people will be assured jobs when they graduate, he said.

The conference, sponsored by the Canadian Council on Social Development is being attended by government, labor, business and education representatives.

The manpower minister criticized universities and colleges for overlooking job needs, and producing more post-secondary graduates than there are jobs for such education levels.

Called CHOICES, the new system will be computerized

and will provide detailed information on job opportunities and requirements.

Young people, aged 14-24, numbering some 2.7 million, make up 25 per cent of Canada's labor force, he said.

According to Cullen, the federal manpower department will be operating a new career counselling service for young people, possibly by year-end.

A job experience and training program for some 7,000 young people at a total cost of \$5 million is also being launched, according to the minister.

Educate the Young for Jobs, Cullen Demands

It will place potential high school dropouts and recent secondary school leavers with participating employers for nine-week periods.

Ottawa will subsidize half the salary for each student up to \$300.

Opening the conference this morning Dr. Reuben Baetz, executive director of the Canadian Council on Social Development, said that while most young people who want a job have one, it is equally true to say that most, are dis-

satisfied with their jobs.

Young people are pessimistic about their work futures, Dr. Baetz warned, and the reality for them is that there is a rapid and tremendous turnover from being employed to being unemployed, from looking for work to not looking for work.

The social policy expert said constitutional niceties between Ottawa and the provinces are hindering creation of better integrated youth employment policies.

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\$48M Overpaid

OTTAWA (CP) — Overpayments to persons receiving unemployment benefits totalled \$45,217,000 in 1975 and \$39,876,600 in 1974, the Commons was told Monday. There were 13,003 overpayments in 1976 and as a result 267 persons were prosecuted through the courts.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. (WP) — The crippled Liberian tanker *Golden Jason*, loaded with nine million gallons of crude oil, was impounded here after the U.S. Coast Guard discovered its engines were dead, its four lifeboats inoperative, its emergency fire pump useless and its anchors unsafe. (Details on page 11.)

PRIME Minister James Callaghan may seek U.S. pressure on Smith when Vice-President Walter Mondale comes to London Thursday on his tour of major U.S. allies.

The new British proposal for Rhodesia called for a cabinet with a black majority headed by a British commissioner during a 14-month period of transition to rule by the country's black majority. Smith rejected it and once again demanded the white-dominated interim regime proposed to him by then-U.S. State Secretary Henry Kissinger last summer.

Tanker Seized

EDMONTON (CP) — The Alberta government received slightly more than \$2 billion in oil and natural gas royalties, lease rentals and sales during 1976, according to figures released Monday.

French Station Flops

VANCOUVER (CP) — At some times during the broadcast day, the CBC's new \$2.5-million French-language TV station here has been attracting fewer than 100 viewers, according to the Bureau of Broadcast Management survey. See story on page 9.

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\$2.5M Spent... Just for 100 Viewers

VANCOUVER (CP) — In the nearly four months that it's been on the air, CBC's controversial \$2.5 million French-language television station here has attracted little attention. In fact, its ratings might be the worst in Canadian television history.

About 40,000 British Columbians signed a petition to the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission condemning the station's opening. Meanwhile, surveys show 3,600 have turned to CBUFT in prime viewing time.

In the slack mid-day period, the station had fewer than 100 viewers, according to statistics released by the bureau of broadcast measurement.

The BBM survey, carried out during three week-long periods in the fall, is based on a statistical cross-section of the Greater Vancouver area's 888,630 households.

The ratings showed CBUFT with a peak audience of 3,600 between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m., a time when 116,400 were tuned to the CBC's English-language outlet.

CBUFT spokesman Jacques

Landry says the BBM survey isn't suited to measure the audience of a station aiming its programming at a language minority.

"If the BBMs say we have 3,600 viewers, then I'm delighted," he says, "because it means we have a hell of a lot that."

The only way we could ever get an accurate reading is to go into virtually every home where French is spoken and see what they're watching and that would cost a fortune."

Landry estimates his station has a potential audience of 154,000 in the greater Vancouver area, including 100,000 students of French.

Of the other 54,000, he says "about 20,000 speak French as their mother tongue and the rest are bilingual or trilingual."

Part of CBUFT's poor show-

ing is due to technical problems, says Landry, which have overshadowed what critics have called some of the best programming in North America.

Heading the station's program list is the three-hour

weekly show *Beaux Dimanches*, a drama and variety program. CBC's Montreal French-language headquarters also provides comprehensive public affairs programming and highly-regarded late movies — some of which feature plenty of sex and nudity.

One program the station was counting on — regular coverage of Montreal Canadiens hockey game — was cancelled when audience-hungry Vancouver Canucks pointed out that the CBC is contractually forbidden from

broadcasting conflicting games of one NHL team in the home city of another.

To make matters worse,

CBUFT often can't be received on sets in the Vancouver-area because of interference from other channels.

Landry says this problem should be eased when the station moves to its permanent Channel 4 spot on the dial in November. It now is broadcast on UHF and two cable channels.

When the move comes, station officials expect another tidal wave of protest from

English-language viewers who will find Howard Cosell and Monday night football bumped off the air.

John Reynolds, the progressive Conservative MP for Burnaby-Richmond-Delta who headed the campaign to keep CBUFT on the air, says the low ratings bear out his claim that the station is an expensive sacrifice to the principle of bilingualism.

"When we were campaigning against the station, a lot of people were accusing us of bigotry, of being anti-French," he says "but we were fighting it on economic grounds."

"The ratings show we were right all along — there simply isn't an audience for French-language TV in Vancouver."

CBUFT cost \$2.5 million to put on the air and has an annual operating budget of \$800,000 to pay for its staff of 37 and its nightly 10-minute newscast.

Without a local advertising staff, the station generates no revenue. Commercials aired on the station are purchased by national sponsors from the network in Montreal.

N.Y. Session Hush-Hush

Callaghan Role Seen In Vote

MONTREAL (CP) — Robert Bourassa called the Nov. 15 Quebec election after a meeting with British Prime Minister James Callaghan convinced him the province was facing a grave constitutional crisis, according to the Montreal Star.

The newspaper says Callaghan told Bourassa during the Sept. 17 meeting, near Quebec City, that the British Government would not oppose unilateral action by the federal government to patriate the Canadian constitution.

Bourassa feared unilateral action by Ottawa would plunge the province into a serious constitutional crisis that could lead to widespread demonstrations and threaten his leadership of the Liberal party, says the story, by Hubert Gendron.

"Callaghan told Bourassa that even if the four original provinces Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia backed by the six other provinces, opposed patriation, the British Parliament would have to accept a patriation resolution passed by both chambers of the federal Parliament," and unnamed source is quoted as saying.

Quebec Line Softens

OTTAWA (CP) — A Quebec aviation group which has been bitterly critical of federal policy on bilingual air communications may be participating by the end of March in federal technical tests on air safety and the language issue.

Liberal MP Serge Joyal, a lawyer for l'Association des Gens de l'Air, said Monday the Gens de l'Air is ready to take part in the Hull, Que., simulation tests if a federal air inquiry approves proposals for the use of French in handling light aircraft at the Montreal airports of St. Hubert and Mirabel.

With inquiry hearings on the St. Hubert and Mirabel problem expected to continue until at least mid-February in Montreal, the inquiry commissioners will probably not reach a decision until the end of March, said Joyal, MP for the Montreal riding of Maisonneuve-Rosemont.

The Gens de l'Air has been seeking speedier implementation of bilingual air traffic control in Quebec and last week decided to appeal a Federal Court of Canada decision upholding a transport department order limiting the use of French in Quebec air communications.

The federal air inquiry, which resumes hearings in Montreal today, is looking at the use of two languages in visual flight operations at the Montreal airports of St. Hubert, Dorval and Mirabel. Visual flying applies generally to light aircraft.

The transport department has recommended French be permitted for visual flying at St. Hubert and federal officials say a similar recommendation will be made shortly for Mirabel.

The Gens de l'Air has not dropped its opposition to the inquiry itself and will not appear at inquiry hearings, Joyal said. The inquiry hearings began in Montreal last week.

The Quebec group, which represents many French-speaking pilots and air traffic controllers, has held that the inquiry was unnecessary.

Blind Pension Urged

Times News Services

NEW YORK — Quebec premier Rene Levesque came to New York Monday for two days of private talks aimed at convincing U.S. Bankers and financiers they have nothing to fear from his party's separation plans.

The talks turned out to be more than just private. They were more like secret. Quebec and its agencies, especially Hydro-Quebec, were expected to need at least \$3 billion in long-term loans during the coming fiscal year and like most Canadian provinces recently, Quebec has turned increasingly to U.S. bond markets for capital.

Quebec officials have been reluctant to disclose details of whom Levesque is meeting as well as the places and times for such encounters.

A crush of reporters surrounded the PQ leader when he arrived in the New York Hilton late Monday afternoon after a flight from Quebec in a government jet. He made few comments, however.

The quiet affair took place with about a dozen businessmen at the Links Club, an exclusive gentlemen's club whose members are listed in the New York social register and on the boards of the most important U.S. banks and corporations.

Levesque said after Monday's dinner that he was "struck that Americans, compared to their equivalents in Canada, have less hangups" — an apparent reference to business attitudes toward the new Parti Quebecois government.

Club members asked informal questions about "the feasibility of Quebec independence, the relative position of our balance of accounts and our attitudes to outside — especially American investment."

WINNIPEG (CP) — Recent government controls on clothing imports should be viewed as a prelude to a more comprehensive system of import restraints, the federal textile and clothing board inquiry was told Monday.

Joseph Ferguson, Western Canada association manager of the 3,000-member International Ladies Garment Workers' Union, said import controls should be tighter and permanent.

Ferguson said companies and employees making wo-

Macdonald Hits Bigots In English Canada

By VICTOR MACKIE
Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Finance Minister Don Macdonald Monday lashed out at "bigots" within the English-speaking provinces who voice intolerance and refuse to accept the French fact in Canada.

Maintaining the partnership between French-speaking and English-speaking Canadians is one of the highest priorities of the federal government, the minister told the Canadian Club of Toronto.

"As evidence of our intolerance the separatists quote the extremists among us, the openline radio participants, the writers of letters to editors and even individual members of the media," he said.

"It is important that English-speaking Canadians not leave the field free to the minority of bigots among us," he said.

The minister said it is important that Canadians express their convictions, on public occasions whenever the opportunity arises and in private encounters as well, that continued close participation between French-speaking and English-speaking Canadians within confederation is "our profound wish."

The maintenance of the two principal languages is a fundamental of confederation, he said.

He has heard arguments among leaders of business with large investment in Quebec that separation of Quebec would provide an easier route to \$100 million.

Stanley Knowles (NDP—Winnipeg North Centre), said handicapped persons should realistically be receiving income allowances of \$350 to \$400 a month and that there should be no means tests.

Tighter Clothing Clamps Urged

men's and children's garments in western Canada have been hurt the most by rising imports.

"Particularly imports that come from those countries where wages are but a minute fraction of what garment workers earn here in Canada."

"Last year virtually one garment in every two sold in the Canadian market came from abroad. Only 10 years before, Canadians were clothed substantially by products of our own making," Ferguson said.

opportunity arises and in private encounters as well, that continued close participation between French-speaking and English-speaking Canadians within confederation is "our profound wish."

The maintenance of the two principal languages is a fundamental of confederation, he said.

"All that we would have done by dividing would be to have given up the political instrument — confederation — by which they can be reconciled," said the minister.

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH

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NOTICE

The Corporation of the District of Central Saanich hereby gives notice of its intention to adopt a by-law, pursuant to Section 509 of the Municipal Act, R.S.B.C. 1960 Chapter 255, to authorize the disposal of a portion of Homathko Road in exchange for lands necessary to relocate a portion of Homathko Road. Copies of the proposed by-law, together with sketches outlining the lands to be exchanged, are on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk and are available for perusal by any person during regular office hours.

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Clerk-Administrator

Be a February smartie and not an April fool.

Avoid a "too late" feeling in April by planning your RRSP tax savings now.

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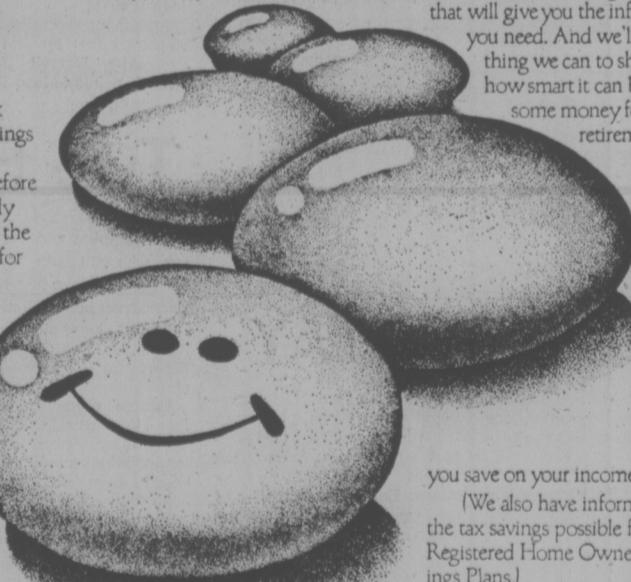
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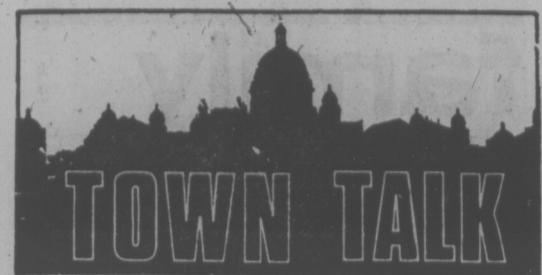
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You're Invited...
11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
TODAY only
at the Empress Hotel
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Mr. Dowty will be hosting an informal SLIDE PRESENTATION on the Kalakaua Condominium
In addition, Mr. Dowty will be available to answer any questions on Hawaiian Property Development. Naturally, there is no obligation.
Through 10 P.M. TONIGHT ONLY



For veteran reporters and photographers, the latest accident victims are usually just more names in a never-ending series of tragedies which make up part of the news.

But not always. Last month Times photographer Bill Halkett set out to find a couple of children to illustrate a news item of the moment, an increase to 25 cents in the price of chocolate bars.

He was lucky and found two bright kids nearby who happily posed, munching the chocolate bars he supplied. Their picture appeared on the front page on the Times Dec. 30.

Halkett came back to the office from that assignment to tell us what pleasant models he had found, nicely turned out, lively and friendly.

They were Frank Arnold, 10, and Hazel Arnold, 9, above, who died Sunday in a boating accident on Saanich Inlet.

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We stand corrected. In a recent article on the growth of Master Charge and Chargeex we said there were no retailers in Victoria offering a discount for customers who pay by cash.

Not so, says Victoria's former mayor Peter Pollen.

Peter Pollen Ford does and the company has been doing it for five years. "And we do a lot of business," Pollen adds.

Are there any other cash discounters out there? We'd like to hear from you.

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Did Mr. Barrett and the NDP Fumble the Finances? How Is Social Credit Financial Management Shaping Up? Should B.C. Succession Duties Be Eliminated?

The answers to these questions are all contained in Vol. I, No. I of the B.C. Digest of Public Affairs, a small quarterly started by Bill Stow of Victoria.

His opinions are probably better informed than most political observers — Stow was top economist in the B.C. finance department until his demotion and later resignation last year after he went public with confidential finance department information on the size of the NDP government's deficit.

The answers to the questions above? In Stow's opinion, the Barrett government's budget-making was not bad, "hardly a raid on the provincial treasury by the socialist hordes." Considering transfers to special funds, the NDP's overall deficit for 1972-73 was just \$2.4 million, says Stow.

On succession duties, he says their elimination cannot be supported by any research or hard evidence. The traditional rationale is that succession duties — a tax levied on the estate of a deceased person — discouraged new businesses from coming to B.C. But as Stow points out, corporations are exempt.

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Manpower has filled some strange job orders but none stranger than a recent request from Victoria's Blue Mouse Film Productions.

Mouse principals Randy Cheveldave and Wifl Wlochal wanted a man and a woman to star in its first blue movie, the Joy of Love, a 10-minute flick on the love life of a young married couple.

The response was spectacular — 15 guys scrambled to the audition and Dave Wallace, who has some stage and film experience won the role.

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A Victoria woman, Jean Genn, has been elected reeve of the northwestern Ontario centre of Ear Falls. Daughter of Mrs. Norman Barlow of 1619 Kenmore, the 39-year-old reeve served two years on council before winning the right to wield the gavel. She is married to David Genn, also of Victoria, and attended Mount View and Royal Oak high school. She beat the reeve-incumbent, Stan Leschuk, 515 votes to 306.

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Moderate success of the university student bus pass system being tried at UVic is being watched by Hydro planners with a view to extending the arrangement to the public.

The experiment has not been in effect long enough to prove itself, but according to planner Alex MacInnis "We're definitely looking at the pass system."

A student can save about \$12 a term in bus fares by buying a pass, issued within the first few days of the start, and currently \$84 a pass, down about 50 from last term, which Alana Mater Society general manager David Clode attributes to a mild winter and more bicycling.

'Slips' Cost 18 Months

A man who broke a 12-year series of criminal offences to work at what his lawyer said was his client's first decent job was sentenced in county court today to 18 months in jail.

John Horne, 29, of 1242 Fort, appeared before Judge Peter Millward after being found guilty last week of breaking, entering and theft at Imperial Building Materials Ltd., 2955 Douglas, last Aug. 7.

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roye pointed out Horne was making an effort when the offence occurred last summer, "but made a few slips on the ladder," including the use of alcohol.

Horne was caught near Imperial with \$207, \$206 of which was from a cash box in the building.

Prosecutor Peter Birkett cited Horne's lengthy list of previous offences dating to when he was 16 in Calgary and given one year in jail for breaking, entering and theft.

Drivers Jailed, Fined

One man was fined \$1,200 and another jailed for 14 days today on impaired driving charges.

Both men had previous impaired convictions.

Jailed for 14 days by provincial court Judge William Ostler was Gary Woolcock, 20, of 1830 Fern.

Woolcock pleaded guilty Jan. 14 to having a blood alcohol reading over .08. The court was told Woolcock had a previous impaired conviction in 1976.

Judge Ostler levied the \$1,200 fine against William McClintchey, 47, of Cobble Hill.

McClintchey, who was convicted of impaired driving in 1972, had a blood alcohol reading of .24.

The court was told McClintchey was involved in an accident at Douglas and Finlayson after drinking beer in the Ingraham Hotel.

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Survival Campaign Launched By Club

The Racquet Club of Victoria, which has lost 300 members since the Oak Bay Recreation Centre opened, will launch a membership campaign Feb. 1 in an effort to overcome its financial difficulties.

Details of the campaign will be completed at a special meeting at the club tonight.

Vice-president Glen Anderson, who is also membership chairman, said two new types of membership will be introduced.

The first, corporate associate memberships, will be offered to companies. For a membership fee of \$250, five employees will be able to use the club's facilities by paying the monthly dues.

The monthly dues for a single adult with children, or a couple, are \$43. A family's monthly dues are \$48.50 and a single adult, \$34.

An associate membership for single adults at \$150 will also be available.

In an effort to attract new members, Anderson said the club has introduced seasonal dues. A curier, as an example, need only pay dues for the month he or she is curling.

Anderson said the membership stands at roughly 600 and it is hoped the drive will raise another 300 members, bringing the membership roll back to where it was two years ago.

Anderson said the opening of the Oak Bay recreation centre coupled with the general economy is the cause of the club's problems.

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Easy-up, step-on cans with handy pull insert for easy disposal. Rubber covered foot pedal and Enamel finish in White, Avocado or Gold.
K-mart Price
699

COMPLETE ROLL N' RACK DELUXE GARBAGE UNITS
A handy helper for any busy kitchen! Just tear off the used bag, and another rolls up... ready for loading! White Roll N' Rack units come complete with twenty sturdy garbage bags.
K-mart Price
499

LONG WEARING VINYL RUNNER
If tracked-in dirt has been "running" you down lately, here's the buy for you! Sturdy, medium weight Vinyl runners in Gold, Green or Clear.
K-mart Price
177
yd.

Your Choice

NATURE'S BOUNTY OVENWARE
Smartly designed ovenware that goes from stove to table in a snap! Available in these popular sizes:

- 1 1/2 QT. OVAL CASSEROLE & COVER
- 1 1/2 QT. ROUND CASSEROLE & COVER
- 1 QT. ROUND CASSEROLE & COVER
- 8" SQUARE CAKE PAN
- 1 1/2 QT. UTILITY PAN
- 5" x 9" LOAF PAN

200
ea.



SOUNDESIGN AM/FM STEREO RECEIVERS

This Superior Sound System Features:
 • Automatic De Luxe Record Changer
 • Duocore 2 way 8" speakers (2)
 • Cassette & 8 Track Players
 • Slide Controls • Headphone Jack
 • Stand • Walnut finished Cabinetry

252⁸⁸

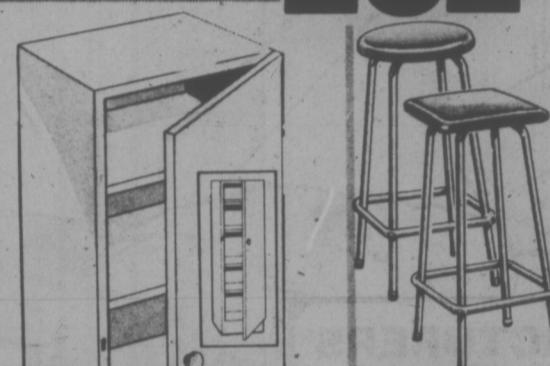
K mart Price



EVER-DURABLE PLASTICWARE!

A handy assortment of home helpers including dishpans, laundry baskets, vegetable drainers, etc.

You're Choice **127**



NORTEX CABINETS HAVE A LOT IN STORE FOR YOU

The convenient, compact way to organize all your household needs. K.D. cabinets are made from sturdy Metal to hold up to every-day use. 4 adjustable shelves & single door. Approx. 60" x 19" x 11".

K mart Price

49⁹⁹

213⁹⁹

FOR

K mart Price

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ON THIS FINE
3 PIECE
TABLE SET!**

A handsome-trio, beautifully crafted in the compact, modern tri-table, with a Walnut grain finish to suit any room's decor. Set includes two step tables, approx. 16" x 15" x 24" and a coffee table 16" x 15" x 48".

K mart Regular List Price 49.99

39⁷⁷

K mart Special



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SAVE YOU MONEY

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A KIDDIE'S COLLECTION DISNEYLAND RECORD & BOOK

A cheerful record that every youngster will enjoy, complete with easy-to-follow song book. Includes: Mary Poppins, Robin Hood, Little Red Riding Hood, and many more!



DISNEYLAND L.P. ALBUM

With these all-time favourites:
 • Alice in Wonderland
 • Sleeping Beauty
 • Winnie The Pooh & The Honey Tree
 • Mary Poppins
 PLUS MANY, MORE!

198

298



ENTERTAINING DISNEYLAND STORY TAPE

Featuring these famous Disney stories:
 • Pinocchio • Jungle Book • Bambi • Sleeping Beauty • Winnie The Pooh & Tiger Too And many others!

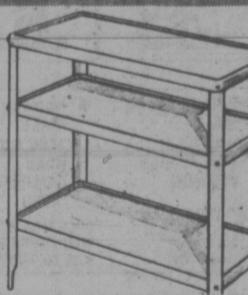
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SAVE 40% MULTI-PURPOSE UTILITY TABLES

Handy, 3 shelf utility tables quality made from sturdy Metal. White. Approx. height: 30". Approx. shelf size: 15" x 20".

K mart
Regular List
Price 12.77

797



Kmart
Gives Satisfaction Always!

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Romance NO-IRON BEDDING BY TEXMADE* WILL WIN YOUR HEART!

PILLOW CASES APPROX. 42" x 32" K mart Price	TWIN FLAT/ FITTED SHEETS K mart Price	DOUBLE FLAT/ FITTED SHEETS K mart Price	QUEEN FLAT/ FITTED SHEETS K mart Price
3⁴⁴	5⁴⁴	6³⁶	7⁸⁶

S-p-r-e-a-d your dollar's worth with "Romance" bed fashions! These quilts made from a no-fuss, no-iron blend of 50% Cotton, 50% Polyester, and so beautifully blossomed with Pink, Blue or Gold floral patterns. *Reg'd. T.M.

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BIG... BOLD BEAUTIFUL SAVINGS ON SOFTLY QUILTED BEDSPREADS

Boasts a luxuriously quilted Viscose top, cosy 65% Acetate, 35% Cotton filling, and a smooth Cotton back. Rose, Blue, Tangerine or Gold shades in single and double sizes.

12⁷⁷ K mart Price

WARM UP TO A COSY BUY ON LIGHTWEIGHT COMFORTERS

Available in a wide array of patterns and shades... sure to add a spark of warmth to any Wintery night! Approx. size: 54" x 70".

11⁷⁷ K mart Price

THIRSTY, 100% COTTON CHECKED TOWEL ENSEMBLE

Choose from popular Blue, Pink, Gold or Brown shades, all in a cheery checked design.

FACE CLOTH Approx. 12" x 12" K mart Price	HAND TOWEL Approx. 15" x 25" K mart Price	BATH TOWEL Approx. 20" x 40" K mart Price
.33	.67	.99

FOAM-FILLED CUSHIONS MAKE COMFY COMPANIONS

In a gay assortment of designs and colours. Approx. size: 15" x 15".

16⁴ K mart Price

QUILTED SATIN PILLOWS SO RESTFULLY PRICED!

Plump shredded foam filling and Satin cover. Pink, Blue, Gold or Rose. Approx. 15" x 26".

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Springtime Garden TOWEL ENSEMBLE

In petal pretty patterns of Blue, Gold, or Rose on White ground.

FACE CLOTH Approx. 12" x 12" K mart Price	HAND TOWEL Approx. 15" x 25" K mart Price	BATH TOWEL Approx. 22" x 42" K mart Price
2¹⁰⁰	.99	1⁶⁶

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